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NEW DELHI OUTRAGE

BOMB-THROWERS ADMIT THEIR GUILT.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY AVERTED BY INFERIOR BOMBS.

AN AMAZING PAMPHLET.

It is revealed this morning that the bomb outrage in the Indian Legislative Assembly yesterday might easily have resulted in a disaster of the first magnitude, but for the fortuitous circumstance that the missiles were of inferior make.

The men arrested have admitted their guilt, but the police are endeavouring to trace the real culprits, under whose instructions the men acted.

A most remarkable pamphlet was thrown into the Assembly Hall at the same time as the bombs, declaring that the sacrifice of individuals on the altar of the revolution is inevitable.

HINDU SOCIALIST REPUBLICANS.

New Delhi, Apr. 8.

A charge of attempted murder is to be preferred against the miscreants responsible for the dastardly affair in the Legislative Assembly to-day. The bombs were hurled from the gallery and the benches were crowded.

Had the bombs been of good make, a terrible catastrophe must have occurred, but an examination of others found in their possession reveal that they were home-made and of very inferior quality being incapable of inflicting extensive damage.

It is also revealed that they fired revolvers into the Assembly Hall, but again it appears that the pistols were of crude design and, happily, jammed after being fired twice.

The names of the arrested men are Butu Keswari Dutt and Baghat Singh.

Surrender Voluntarily.

They declare that they entered the gallery of the Assembly without tickets, obtaining admission long before the police arrived to check the admission of visitors.

After throwing the two bombs, they fired their pistols and one of them yelled out, "I did it. Here is my pistol," and they surrendered to the police without putting up any resistance.

Baghat Singh is believed to be the nephew of the notorious revolutionary agitator, Ajit Singh, who has been in exile for some time past.

Dutt has been identified as a Bengali from Cawnpore.

Special Precautions.

The Assembly met again within fifteen minutes of the outrage, but the only business transacted was a motion for the adjournment of the Session by Mr. Patel. The majority of the Members declined to re-enter the Assembly Hall, preferring to remain in the Lobbies. The atmosphere was still pungent with the smoke and fumes of the bombs.

Seventy policemen have now been detailed to maintain guard at the Assembly, while the President has given an order that no tickets of admission shall be issued for Thursday's session, adding that from now on there must be much stricter supervision.

Police Hopeful.

The police are determined to trace the outrage to its source and hope, in view of pamphlets also thrown, which mention Lal Pat Rai, that it will be at long last possible to trace the murderers of Mr. Saunders, the Assistant Superintendent of Police at Lahore, who was shot dead in the streets in December. It is felt certain in police quarters that both outrages emanated from the same source.

Red "Army" Orders.

The leaflet mentioned in the above message was thrown at the same time as the bombs.

It declares that the "Hindu Socialist Republican Association"

fully realising its responsibility has ordered its "army" to throw bombs in protest against such repressive measures as the Public Safety (Removal from India) Bill and the Trade Disputes Bill.

Revolution.

It also protests against the indiscriminate arrests of Labour leaders, "the callous murder of Lalalaj Pat Rai, on behalf of the helpless Indian masses."

The pamphlet concludes: "The sacrifice of individuals at the altar of the great revolution, which will bring freedom to all, rendering exploitation of man by man impossible, is inevitable. Long live the Revolution!"—*Reuter*.

A British Wireless report of the occurrence states:

Bombs were hurled from the gallery of the Indian Legislative Assembly to-day during a crowded sitting. Several persons were injured, including Sir George Schuster, the Finance Member of the Executive Council, and four Indian members of the Legislative Assembly.

The outrage took place just as Mr. Patel, President of the Assembly, was about to give his ruling in regard to the Public Safety Bill giving the Indian Government the power to deport agitators.

Recently, thirty-three men, alleged to be Communist agitators, were arrested in different parts of India and Mr. Patel's expected ruling was as to whether the discussion of the Bill should be postponed until after the trial of these men.

Sir John Simon was present in the President's Gallery. He escaped injury. As Chairman of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the working of the system of Government and the development of representative institutions, he has been showing a close interest in the working of the Legislative Assembly.

Sir George Schuster, whose injuries are stated to be very slight, has had wide international experiences of finance and economics, and was formerly a partner in the London banking firm of Schuster.

Indian Seriously Hurt.

Those injured include Sir George Schuster, Sir Bamanjee Dalal, and Messrs. Raghvendra Ram and Shankar Rao, also Mr. S. N. Roy, the Deputy Secretary of the Indian Central Committee, who was sitting with officers in the gallery.

Sir Bamanjee Dalal is seriously hurt.

The police immediately locked the Council House and prevented the movements of visitors. The Chamber presented an awful spectacle.—*Reuter*.

DISTINCTIONS IN FIRM NAMES

DEFENDANT CLOSELY QUESTIONED.

SAYS HE & SOLICITORS WERE NEGLIGENT.

PROMISSORY NOTE.

The distinction between the Kwai Nin Tong, Ma Pak Leung firm, of Fatsan and Canton, and the Yut Tung Ma Pak Leung firm, of Hongkong, formed the subject of Mr. F. C. Jenkin's cross-examination of Ma Chung-yu this morning, when the promissory note case was resumed before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) in the Supreme Court.

Lam Ting-on, as head of the King On Tong firm, No. 80, Third Street, is suing the Ma Pak Leung firm of druggists, No. 310, Queen's Road Central, for \$4,698 alleged to be due under a promissory note dated January 16, 1921. The defence is that the firm sued is the Yut Tung Ma Pak Leung firm of Hongkong, while the maker of the note is the Kwai Nin Tong Ma Pak Leung firm of Fatsan and Canton, the firms being entirely distinct though the owners belong to the same family.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks of Messrs. Hastings, Denny and Bowley, is for the plaintiff, while Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., together with Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. F. X. D'Almeida, senior, is defending.

Under One Management?

This morning, Ma Chun-yu, the defendant, was further cross-examined by Mr. Jenkin with regard to certain characters printed on a wrapper used for wrapping up medicines. He identified a wrapper shown to him as having been issued by the Fatsan and Canton factories of the Ma Pak Leung. Witness did not agree that certain characters claimed that the distillery or premises at Fati and Macao were under one and the same management.

Mr. Jenkin:—Does it or does it not show that what you call the Kwai Nin Tong Ma Pak Leung are claiming, as theirs, the Fati and Macao premises?—According to the reading of this handbill, it appears to be so but this is only an advertisement for the general public.

Witness agreed that the wrapper was correct in every other respect.

Mr. Jenkin then referred witness to an affidavit he swore, part of which was to the effect that the Fati and Macao premises were factories of the Fatsan business, and added:—"It is curious that you, in that affidavit, swore to something which you said was a mistake, and these people make the same mistake in issuing this handbill?"

Witness:—In all the factories where they make up the medicines they have to have a wrapper.

His Lordship pointed out that it was really a matter for comment, and Mr. Jenkin agreed.

Names Explained.

Answering other questions, witness said of the Yut Tung firms that the one in Hongkong was first formed and the one in Batavia was the last one to be organised. The name Yut Tung Ma Pak Leung was selected in order to make a difference between them and the Kwai Nin Tong, Fatsan and Canton Ma Pak Leung firms, so that there could not be any possibility of confusion in anybody's mind by reason of the similarity of names.

Another reason was in order that creditors would know that the two firms were entirely distinct.

Mr. Jenkin then stated that he was going to take the witness through certain documents, including his own affidavit, after which he would suggest that it was an entirely new case.

Dealing with witness's affidavit, counsel referred to various paragraphs in which witness had given brief histories of the Kwai Nin Tong Ma Pak Leung and the Yut Tung Ma Pak Leung, after which Mr. Jenkin said that witness had described the Fatsan firm nine times and the Hongkong firm once.

SHANGHAI BLAZE DISASTER.

SQUARE MILE OF FOOTING CUT BY FIRE.

300 PEOPLE MISSING.

Shanghai, Apr. 9.

The worst village fire for many years occurred in the outskirts of Greater Shanghai last night, creating fearful havoc.

The loss of life, it is feared, is tremendous, the blaze spreading with such fearful rapidity in a high wind throughout a matched estate that dozens and dozens of people were trapped and were burned to death.

Only those on the extreme outskirts were in a position to escape to safety, and a conservative estimate places the number of missing at three hundred.

Over a square mile of matched houses in the crowded Footing district were completely destroyed by the conflagration, and it is stated that more than three thousand of these huts were involved. Many substantial houses in the

SHANGHAI RIVER TRAGEDY.

Destroyer Cuts Cargo-Boat Clean in Two.

SMART RESCUE WORK.

Shanghai, Apr. 9.

The American destroyer "Noa" while cruising at a fair speed in the Shanghai River yesterday afternoon collided with a cargo-boat, cutting her clean in two.

The vessel sank almost immediately and four persons were drowned.

Smart rescue work by the crew of the "Noa" served to save many lives.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

FLOOD DEVASTATION IN TASMANIA.

CITY ISOLATED: OVER 4,500 HOMELESS.

Hobart, Apr. 8.

It has just been revealed that in the course of the Tasmanian inundations, the Pioneer Tin Mine was flooded, a dam at the Moanarch Mine was washed away, while a landslide on the Lyell Railway has isolated Queenstown.

The havoc is most amazing, and it is estimated that over 4,500 people have been rendered homeless in the Launceston district alone.—*Reuter*.

B. AND S. STEAMER FIRED UPON.

ANOTHER INCIDENT ON THE YANGTZE.

The a.s. Kintang, one of the vessels in the Butterfield and Swire fleet, was fired at above Ichang on Monday.

Naval wireless messages give no further details beyond the fact that the fire was returned by the guard on board the Kintang.

AVIATION TROPHY.

NORTH POLE FLIER IS HONOURED.

Washington, Apr. 8.

Carl Eiselein, the pilot of the aeroplane in which Sir George Wilkins flew over the North Pole in April last year, has been presented with the Harmon Trophy, awarded annually for the outstanding feat in aviation.—*Reuter's American Service*.

BANVARD GIRL'S CLAIM.

AWARDED RUPEES 900 DAMAGES.

CALCUTTA'S WAY OF "GIVING THE BIRD."

TERMS OF CONTRACT.

Miss Molly Maguire, an actress, who claimed Rs. 14,270 as damages from Mr. W. R. Banvard for the wrongful termination of her contract for theatrical engagement for eight months, was awarded Rs. 900 by Mr. Justice Costello in the Calcutta High Court.

Mr. J. C. Hazra and Mr. P. N. Malik appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. R. C. Bonnerjee and Mr. Ormond for the defendant.

The earlier proceedings in the case are reported on another page.

Mr. A. E. Warren gave evidence, and in reply to his Lordship, said that a fortnight's notice appeared in almost any contract. Some contained four weeks' notice. Every member who was brought out from England cost a capital expenditure of £400 and so it necessarily followed that the contract was one-sided. Witness should have given the plaintiff in the circumstances four weeks' salary and £20 for out of pocket expenses.

Plaintiff Nervous.

Continuing, witness said that he had seen the plaintiff act and sing and she was very nervous. Audiences are very indulgent at times but sometimes they are not. "Calcutta audiences," said witness, "have a way of showing their lack of appreciation. They won't as they do in England give an artist what we call the bird. In Calcutta they have a different method. They show lack of appreciation by unduly applauding and an artist may be misled and may not appreciate that the applause is ironical. I was speaking of actual solo numbers."

His Lordship, in delivering judgment, said the matter out of which the suit arose began with a letter, dated Nov. 5 by the manageress, Miss Banvard, to the plaintiff, in which the writer stated that Mr. Banvard had instructed her to determine the plaintiff's engagement at the end of the Bombay season. According to the plaintiff's evidence she and the manageress were not getting on very well together and some suggestion was made that the real reason of the notice was due to the ill-will displayed by Miss Banvard. In his Lordship's opinion, however, this was not so, as admittedly the management was of opinion that the plaintiff was not suited for the parts she was requested to play under the terms of the contract.

Not Disputed.

There seemed to be no doubt that at that time the plaintiff acquiesced in the position and did not dispute the right of the defendant to determine her (plaintiff's) engagement by such notice. The plaintiff also wrote a letter to Mr. Banvard in Rangoon in which she admitted that she might have been "stupid" and she merely suggested certain compensation.

In his Lordship's opinion, it was quite clear on the evidence that Mr. Blythe had no intention to retain the plaintiff's services after the Calcutta season. It was conceded by Mr. Bonnerjee that there was technical breach of the agreement as a result of notice of Dec. 11 for the defendant purporting to discontinue the plaintiff's engagement before the end of the Calcutta season, which concluded on Dec. 23 or 24.

It was not suggested that the notice in any way reflected upon the character or conduct of the parties and the sole ground upon which the defendant desired to put an end to the contract was because the plaintiff was not considered suitable for the particular parts assigned to her.

The Fortnight's Notice.

The plaintiff's case must rest almost entirely upon the question as to whether or not the defendant was entitled to, under the precise words of the contract, to terminate the plaintiff's engagement to

HOME FOOTBALL.

London, Apr. 8.

In the Third Division (Northern section) of the English League, Chesterfield playing at home drew with Wigan, no goals being scored.—*Reuter*.

LATEST SHANGHAI CRIME WAVE.

TWO WEALTHY BUSINESSMEN KIDNAPPED.

RUSSIAN SHOT DEAD.

Shanghai, Apr. 9.

Chinese residents are becoming increasingly terrified at a renewed outbreak of the kidnapping epidemic. Important personages do not venture out without guards, but there have been many wealthy victims of the gang which is pursuing its activities on a colossal scale.

The police are powerless to check the wave, partly owing to the refusal of Chinese eye-witnesses to see the abductions until it is too late to act.

The latest victims are Mr. Liu Kai-may, the compradore of Messrs. Wheelock's, and the chief clerk of Messrs. David Sassoon who has also been kidnapped.

The crime wave all round is the worst for some time. Another murder by desperadoes occurred last night, round about midnight, the Russian watchman of the Chu Pao Sun Home being fatally wounded in an encounter with would-be robbers.

He was found dead at a spot near to the place where another Russian watchman not long ago killed himself and his sweetheart in an automobile outside the estate.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

GIANT AIR-LINERS FOR INDIA.

AMONG BIGGEST MACHINES EVER BUILT.

HANDLEY-PAGE ORDER.

London, Apr. 8.

An announcement of more than ordinary interest was made to-day at the annual meeting of shareholders of the famous aircraft constructors, Messrs. Handley-Page, Limited.

The chairman stated that the firm has obtained the contract to supply the new aircraft required by the British Imperial Airways for the full establishment of the weekly air mail service between Croydon and Karachi, India.

The machines will be of entirely new design, while their size may be estimated from the fact that they are to be constructed for the accommodation of forty passengers and crew.

In addition to the ordinary accommodation, there will be two big saloons, in addition to a cabin the size of a Pullman coach fitted with lavatories and a buffet.

Their accommodation will fill little short of the passenger accommodation of the Graf Zeppelin.

Each of these giant machines will be equipped with four engines of 500 horse-power each, a total of 2,000 h.p.

An important feature will be the provision of the famous Handley-Page invention, the slotted wing device.—*Reuter*.

FIRING ON NORWEGIAN STEAMER.

U.S. COASTGUARD AUTHORITIES EXPLAIN.

Washington, Apr. 8.

In regard to the firing on the Norwegian steamer Juan, the coastguard authorities state that a patrol boat fired on her because she refused to halt when requested to do so.

It will be recalled that yesterday the pilot of the Juan lodged a protest with the Norwegian Vice-Consul because, he alleged, the United States coastguards at Chesapeake Bay, without warning, fired half a dozen shots, narrowly missing the Juan, which the coastguards boarded, when they satisfied themselves that the cargo of bananas was not camouflaged liquor.—*Reuter's American Service*.

FENG YU-HSIANG'S OBJECTS.

EXPLANATION FOUND SATISFACTORY.

NO TERRITORIAL AMBITIONS IN HUPEH.

TROOPS STILL MOVE.

Hankow, Apr. 8.

It is learned from a reliable source that Feng Yu-hsiang's troops continue to cross the Honan border into Hupeh, and a large contingent has arrived at Tung-hwangting, where the garrison has been disarmed.

The meaning of these suspicious moves is not clear, though it was evident to-day that the Nanking leaders were less apprehensive than formerly.

Chiang Careful.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek ordered the 1st, 9th and 13th Nanking Divisions, under Generals Liu Chi, Chiang Ting-min, and Hsia Tsi-ying respectively, to leave Hankow for the north of Hupeh, ostensibly for the purpose of bandit-suppression and the disarming of Wuhan stragglers.

Hankow, Apr. 8.

It is reliably stated that Feng's forces have occupied Loahokow on the Han River and Kwangshui on the Peking-Hankow Railway.

It is uncertain whether these moves were planned before the fall of Wuhan and whether there has been no time to countermand them.

There are no further signs of uneasiness in Hankow and martial law which has been in force since Thursday is being lifted to-night.

German Assistance.

It is interesting to note that when Marshal Chiang Kai-shek was on his way to the Wuhan front, he was accompanied by two German Staff Officers.

It is understood that these officers advised Marshal Chiang to instruct his troops to move by night only, and to lay low during the daytime.

This explains why the positions of the advancing Nanking forces were never definitely placed until they had almost reached their objective.—*Reuter*.

Feng Explains.

Later.

Reuter learns that Feng Yu-hsiang's representative, Chang Wan-kin has just arrived in Hankow and has explained that the movement of the Kuomintang troops inside the Hupeh border is intended to hedge in the retreating Kwangsi troops and any of the Hupeh army which might retire in this direction and to allow the Government troops to operate freely in the south of Hupeh.

The arrival of the delegate, who bears full assurance of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang's loyalty to the Central Government has removed any sense of uneasiness which might have been felt in political circles.

It is generally considered that the situation has now been clarified.

Boycott Ended.

It is interesting to note that business is in full swing in the Japanese Concession as the result of the lifting of the boycott.

While no official pronouncement or veto has been issued by the new Government, the pickets have miraculously disappeared and every confidence is being expressed for the maintenance of cordial Sino-Japanese business relations.

A British Naval Wireless message states that Rear-Admiral Tweedie, of the British Yangtze Patrol, paid a courtesy visit to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek yesterday.

North China Position.

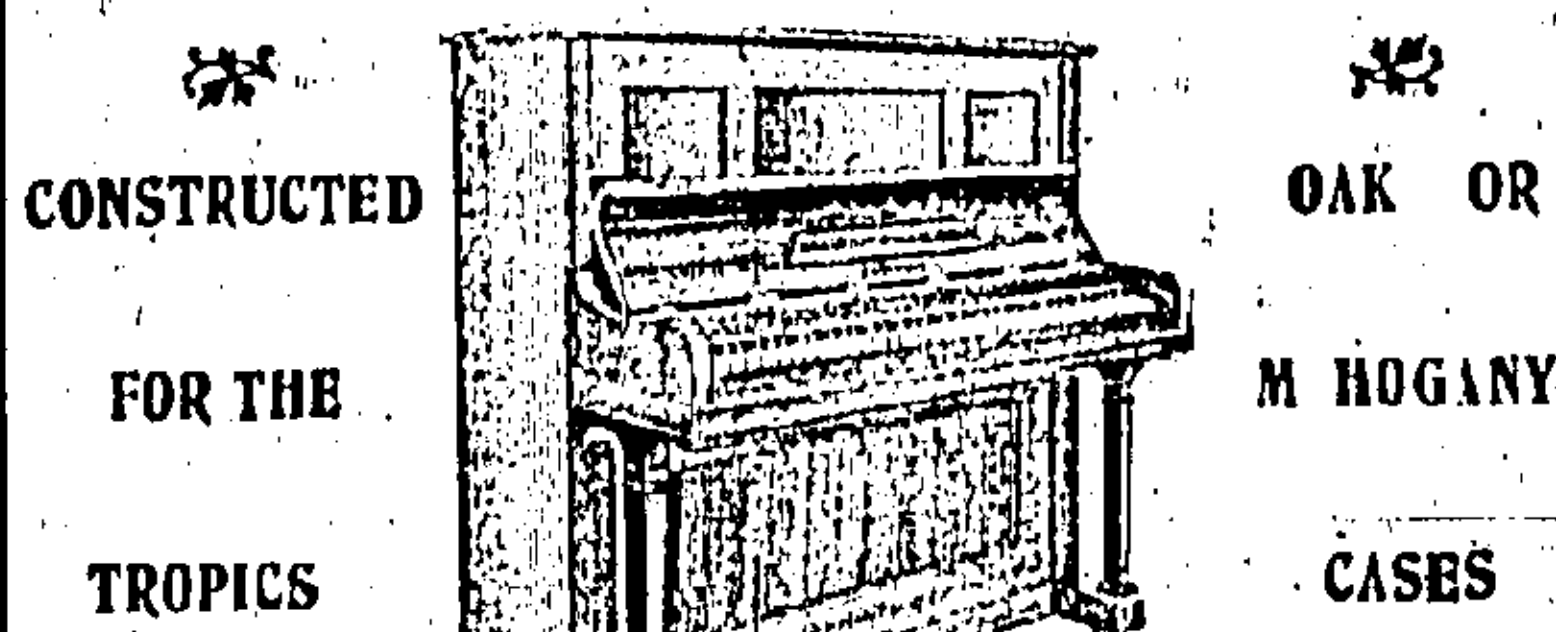
Peking, Apr. 8.

The report that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has requested Marshal Yen Hsi-shan to take full control of Chihli is confirmed. There are 120,000 Nationalist troops in the province and Yen Hsi-shan has been given the command.

The Shansi chief is expected in Peking next week, and it is re-

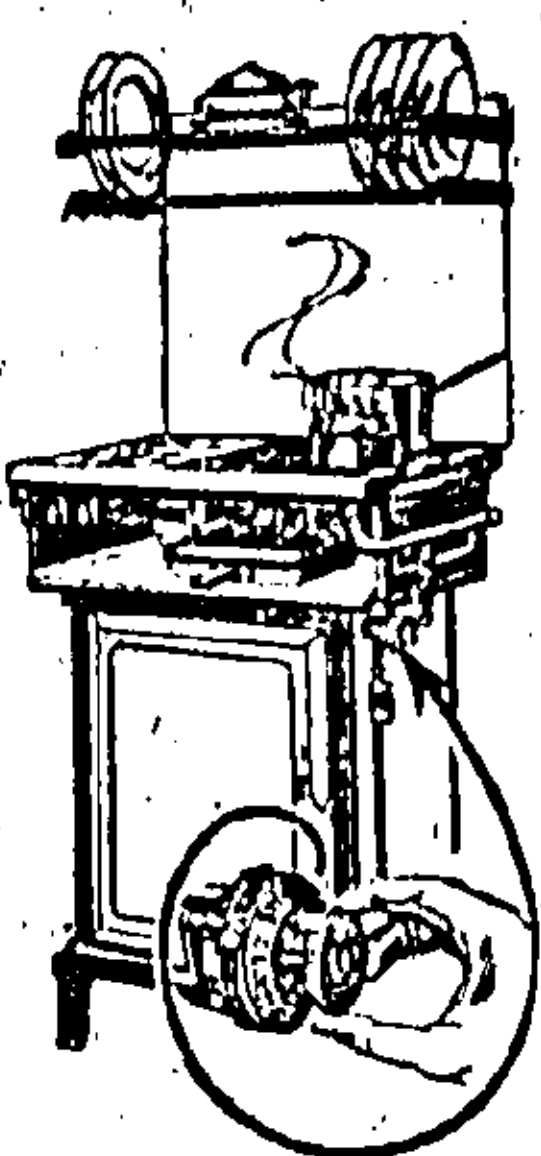
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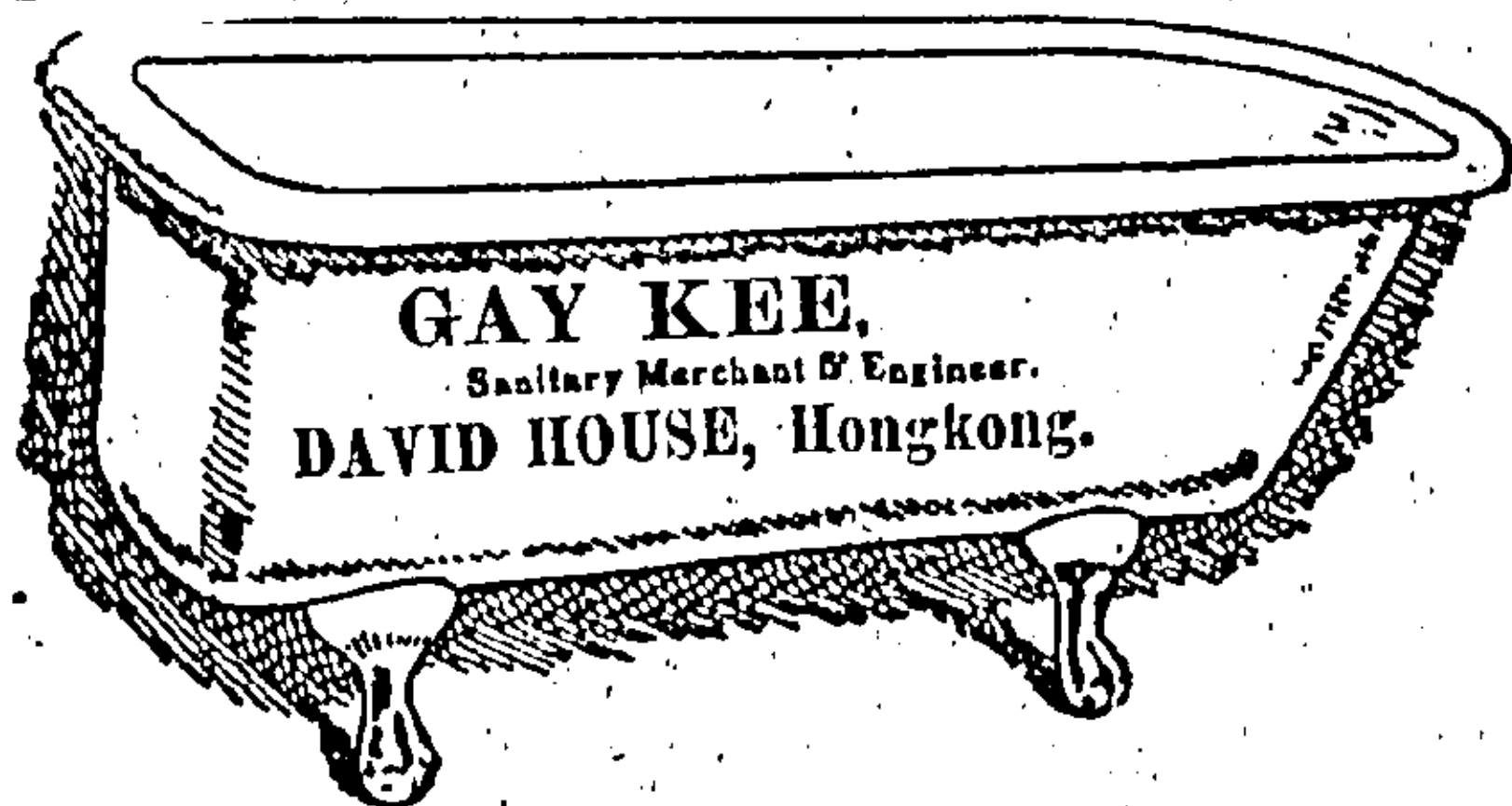
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OBITUARY.

LONG CAREER IN THE CONSULAR SERVICE.

Mr. Alfred Ernest Wileman, who died at Mentone on Feb. 15, within a fortnight of his 69th birthday, had a long career in the Consular Service in the Far East. Appointed a student interpreter in Japan in July, 1882, he became Assistant Japanese Secretary at Tokyo ten years later, also serving as Acting British Vice-Consul at Tokyo during 1892. He was Acting Japanese Secretary from June 7, 1892, to October 29, 1894; served in the Japanese Secretary's Office, Tokyo, until March 31, 1896; and was twice Acting Registrar to the Court for Japan. At the end of 1896 Mr. Wileman was promoted to be Vice-Consul for Hio and Osaka, and was Acting Consul at Hio on various occasions during 1898. He was transferred to Hakodate as Vice-Consul early in 1901. In May, 1903, he was promoted to be Consul for the Consular District of Tainan, Formosa, and returned to Japan in 1907 as Acting Consul-General at Yokohama. On Nov. 2, 1909, he was promoted to be Consul-General for the Philippine Islands, and retired on pension on Oct. 24, 1914. He received the Coronation Medal in 1911. An ardent entomologist, during the many years spent by him in the Far East he collected butterflies and moths, with a definite view to add to the knowledge of the fauna of Japan, Formosa, and the Philippine Islands. He bred many species, and employed a Japanese artist to make coloured drawings of the caterpillars. Mr. Wileman wrote a number of papers on the moths that he had collected, and his wide knowledge of the Japanese language enabled him to keep in close touch with all the Japanese literature on the subject. He was an untiring worker, and when in England regularly spent days in the Entomological Department of the British Museum (Natural History).

Mr. L. Campbell-Johnston.

Mr. Louis Campbell-Johnston, of Woodcote Grove House, Coudon, Surrey, who died on Feb. 23, in his 67th year, was the fourth son of Mr. Robert Alexander Campbell-Johnston, Lieutenant-Governor of Hongkong.

Mr. Manlio Capelli.

In the death of Mr. Manlio Capelli, of the Chinese Customs Service, which took place on March 30 at the Country Hospital, the organization has lost a valued and capable member.

On more than one occasion Mr. Capelli had displayed a vision and foresight that had marked him in the minds of those above him to be worthy of an outstanding career in the service, and among his co-workers the fact that he had joined as late as June, 1902, and at the time of his death was Chief Assistant, was proof positive of his several abilities.

Particularly is Mr. Capelli remembered for his signal service at Lungchow from 1920 to 1924 when he was Acting Commissioner in the troublesome times when a man of strong character was sorely needed in that district.

The deceased was born in Rome in 1860 and was particularly active in Italian circles in Shanghai since going there. Two years ago he was married to a German lady who, at the time of his death, seemed to be visiting her home.

Mr. L. Cattapan.

Mr. L. Cattapan, of the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra, died last week. He is survived by his wife and children. He went to Shanghai a score of years ago and had an established reputation as a musician. He was also an employee of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

LOCAL WEDDING.

YESTERDAY'S CEREMONY AT THE PEAK CHURCH.

A pretty wedding took place at the Peak Church yesterday afternoon, when Miss Ingeborg Bergshagen Jensen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Jensen, was married to Mr. Alfred Tage Statmose Jensen, the ceremony being performed by the Dean of St. John's Cathedral, the Very Rev. Alfred Swann.

The bride, who was charmingly attired in white charmeuse and carried a beautiful bouquet of white carnations was given away by her father, who is the manager of the Hongkong branch of the Great Northern Telegraph Co. Mrs. N. Murer was Matron of Honour. The bride's mother was dressed in black crepe georgette and satin.

The bridegroom's "best man" was Mr. J. K. L. Stanton.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, a reception was held at 3 Aigburth Hall, May Road, the home of the bride, where the happy couple were the recipients of the congratulations of their many friends.

The honeymoon will be spent in Europe, the bride's going away dress being of powder blue crepe de chine with coat and hat to match.

JAPAN UNEASY.

SHANTUNG AGREEMENT MAY BE INEFFECTIVE.

Tokyo, Apr. 8.

Some perturbation is felt in Government circles owing to the failure of the Nationalist Commission, Tsai, to submit a plan for the maintenance of peace and order in Tsinan after the Japanese withdrawal.

The plan was promised by the 3rd instant, but has not yet been presented, and it is therefore feared that it may be necessary to postpone the withdrawal, though it is still hoped that it will be presented in time to avoid upsetting present plans.

Apparently the Nationalists are finding some difficulty in carrying out their promise to guarantee adequate protection to Japanese lives and property, as they have informally suggested that Japan should remove all their nationals temporarily from Tsinan and places along the railway to Tsingtao.

The Government insists, however, that this is incompatible with Nanking's promise contained in the recent agreement.—*Reuter.*

A SOVIET BAIT.

BRITISH TRADE DELEGATION IN RUSSIA.

London, Apr. 8.

If the consensus of newspaper opinions is any criterion, Britain is not likely to rise immediately to the luscious looking bait dangled before the British trade delegation now touring Russia by M. Piatakov, the Governor of the Soviet State Bank, who declared that the Soviet could give £150,000,000 worth of orders to British industry during the next five years or the Soviet's import programme could be raised to £200,000,000, providing British capital agreed to invest in various concessions and contract operations and normal diplomatic relations be restored. That is, a huge loan from British bankers backed by the British Government.

The Morning Post recalls what the spider told the fly.

The Daily Telegraph urges the same careful scrutiny of guarantees in 1924.

The Times is anxious to see Anglo-Soviet trade prosper but the diplomatic normalcy depends on other conditions.—*Reuter.*

MORRISON HILL.

LESSEES CHARGED WITH CARELESS BLASTING.

That being a Government quarry, Morrison Hill was exempted from the provisions of Section 210, of the Public Health and Building Ordinances, was the submission on a point of law which Mr. F. H. Loseby entered on behalf of Messrs. Sang Lee, the lessees of the quarry, who were summoned before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday afternoon for not taking proper precautions when carrying out blasting operations.

In the course of the case it was mentioned that Sang Lee, who had been doing the reclamation work at the Praya East, now held a quarryman's lease for what still remained of Morrison Hill. In the absence of any regulations by the Governor-in-Council as provided in the Section for Government quarries, it was argued that the defence that they were not within the operation of the Section—Stones on Police Ground.

Evidence was first heard from Lance Sergeant Moran, to the effect that at about 5 p.m. on the 27th of last month stones, propelled by a blasting charge, fell into the grounds of the Police Club near-by. Witness said he was sitting out under the verandah of the Club building, when he heard gongs being sounded to warn people of blasting. He heard two explosions, followed by an explosion louder than the others, and the next moment two pieces of rock (produced) came sailing in. They dropped on to the bowling greens.

Cross-examined, witness said he did not know anything about the actual operation of blasting, except that he knew of certain regulations which must be complied with to ensure safety for passers-by. These were to the effect that the charges must be covered and weighted down with a sufficiently heavy timber shield, etc. The Police Club was about 300 feet away from the spot where he judged blasting was being carried out.

Probably No Covering.

Mr. W. E. Hollands, who appeared for the P. W. D., stated that he visited the scene some days afterwards, and had the spot pointed out to him by Sergeant Moran. He judged the distance over which the stones travelled as 300 feet.

In reply to Mr. Loseby, witness said he knew something of blasting and would judge that no covering had been put over the charge, having regard to the weight of the stones and the distance they were thrown.

Rocks were of differing consistency, if it were hard rock, dynamite generally would be used. If decomposed or disintegrated granite, black powder was sufficient for the blasting charge. It was possible in the majority of cases to ascertain the nature of the rock before blasting.

Witness definitely stated that the stones produced in Court should not have gone that distance if properly covered.

A Safe Distance.

Mr. Loseby, putting a hypothetical question, asked: How far would you stand from a blasting charge to be perfectly happy?

Witness replied that that all depended if the man who was carrying out the blasting was a trained man. If he were not, witness would prefer to stand away as far as possible. (Laughter). He considered as "trained men" those employed at the Government quarries at Quarry Point and other places.

In a discussion as to what, in witness's opinion, constituted a "reasonable distance," witness said that he would want to ascertain first if the man who was doing the quarrying was a trained man, and then he would choose his distance accordingly. Between 200 and 300 feet was quite a reasonable distance if all precautions were taken, but he certainly would not care to go near. "We must make allowances for accidents," witness added.

Mr. Loseby: That is what I was leading up to. "We must make allowances for accidents"—I cannot put it higher than that, and certainly I would not make it lower.

Government Quarries.

Witness in reply to another question from Mr. Loseby, defined "Government quarries as being quarries, run solely by Government men." Witness was not prepared to say more than that Morrison Hill was let out to Sang Lee for the purpose of quarrying.

Mr. Loseby said his argument would be confined to one of law, on the point that Morrison Hill was a Government quarry, and as such was

'VARSITY LECTURE.

CAPT. McNAIR ON ODDITIES IN MATHEMATICS.

An interesting lecture on "Mathematics" was given by Captain McNair, R.A., before the circle of the Hongkong University Engineering Society last evening.

In introducing the lecturer, Professor Middleton Smith commented on the fortunate circumstance that they should have another officer from the Army and Air Force to lecture to them following upon the last lecture by the Colonel of the Royal Engineers. Captain McNair was on the Technical Staff in England, and they hoped to hear from him often during the period of his sojourn in the Colony.

The lecturer dealt with the relation of philosophy to engineering, revealing that there was a closer association between the two branches of knowledge than one would expect from the fact that one was abstract and the other practical. Philosophy ceased to be merely such when in its quest for truth it discovered a definite formula and became science. As an instance, the speaker said that astronomy was regarded as a philosophy until Newton discovered its truth.

The lecturer then went on to speak of what he termed as "mathematical oddities and curiosities" for which no mathematical reason could be given except that they were there, to be regarded as phenomena. The elasticity of objects, such as the distribution of stress upon the inner surface of a cylinder, was another item which appealed to the mathematical mind of his audience, as well as certain hitherto little known values of figures, expressed with their corresponding algebraic symbols. During the course of the lecture use was made of the blackboard by the speaker to illustrate his points. After the lecture, a general discussion ensued.

Captain McNair was accorded a hearty vote of thanks at the close of the evening.

MUPING HOLDS OUT.

CHANG CHUNG-CHANG CAUGHT IN A TRAP.

Chefoo, Apr. 8.

Liu Chen-nien is still holding Muping City in spite of constant onslaughts and is inflicting serious casualties on Chang Chung-chang's forces.

The hospitals here are already filled up and every day there are new arrivals of wounded, adding to the congestion.

At a low estimate Chang Chung-chang's casualties during his attack on Muping have been 1,500. Chang states that he is determined to remain at the Muping front until the city capitulates.

Yesterday Liu Chen-nien secreted soldiers in evacuated houses outside the city walls and met Chang's next onslaught with a rain of machine-gun fire, causing several hundred casualties. Consequently Chang razed all the houses surrounding the city walls.—*Reuter.*

subject only to the special provision of the regulations of the Governor-in-Council. There was a time when Morrison Hill was a quarry, that being when the reclamation work was in progress. Now it was a quarry, and a Government quarry at that, which had been leased to Sang Lee. Short of the regulations to be made by the Governor-in-Council as provided for in Section 210 for this class of quarry, Mr. Loseby submitted that there was no case against his clients.

Mr. Loseby added that in confining himself to the argument regarding the status of the quarry, he had not taken into consideration the legal interpretation on the delimitation of the "safety zone." Various distances might be construed, but argument thereon all came back to the point of just how much precaution had been taken by the quarryman. His Worship decided to adjourn the summons until next week.

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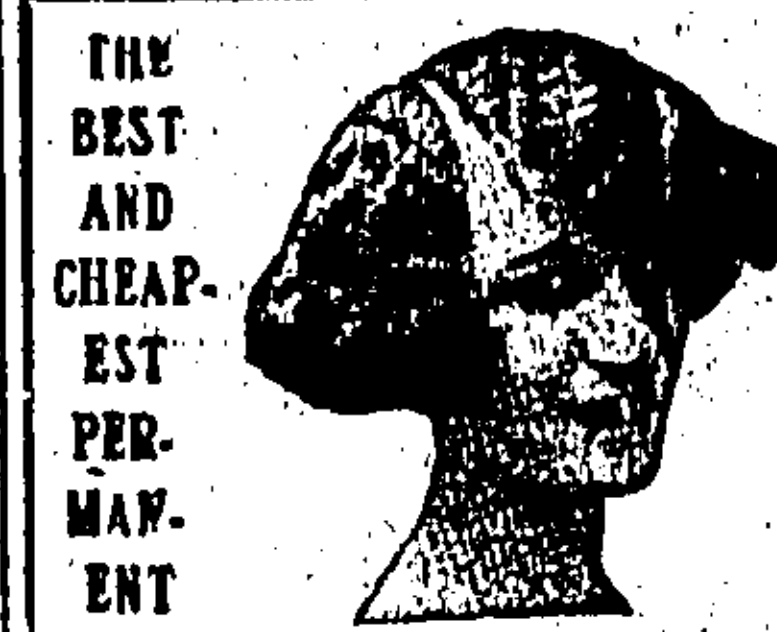
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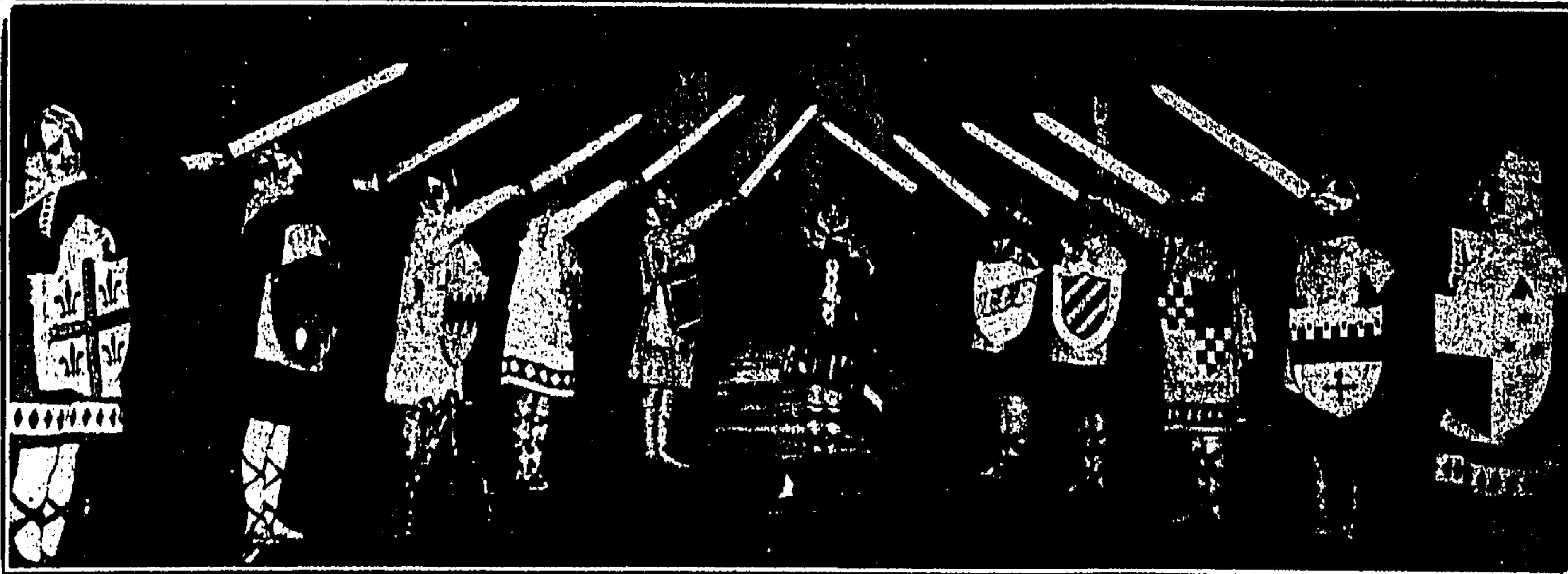
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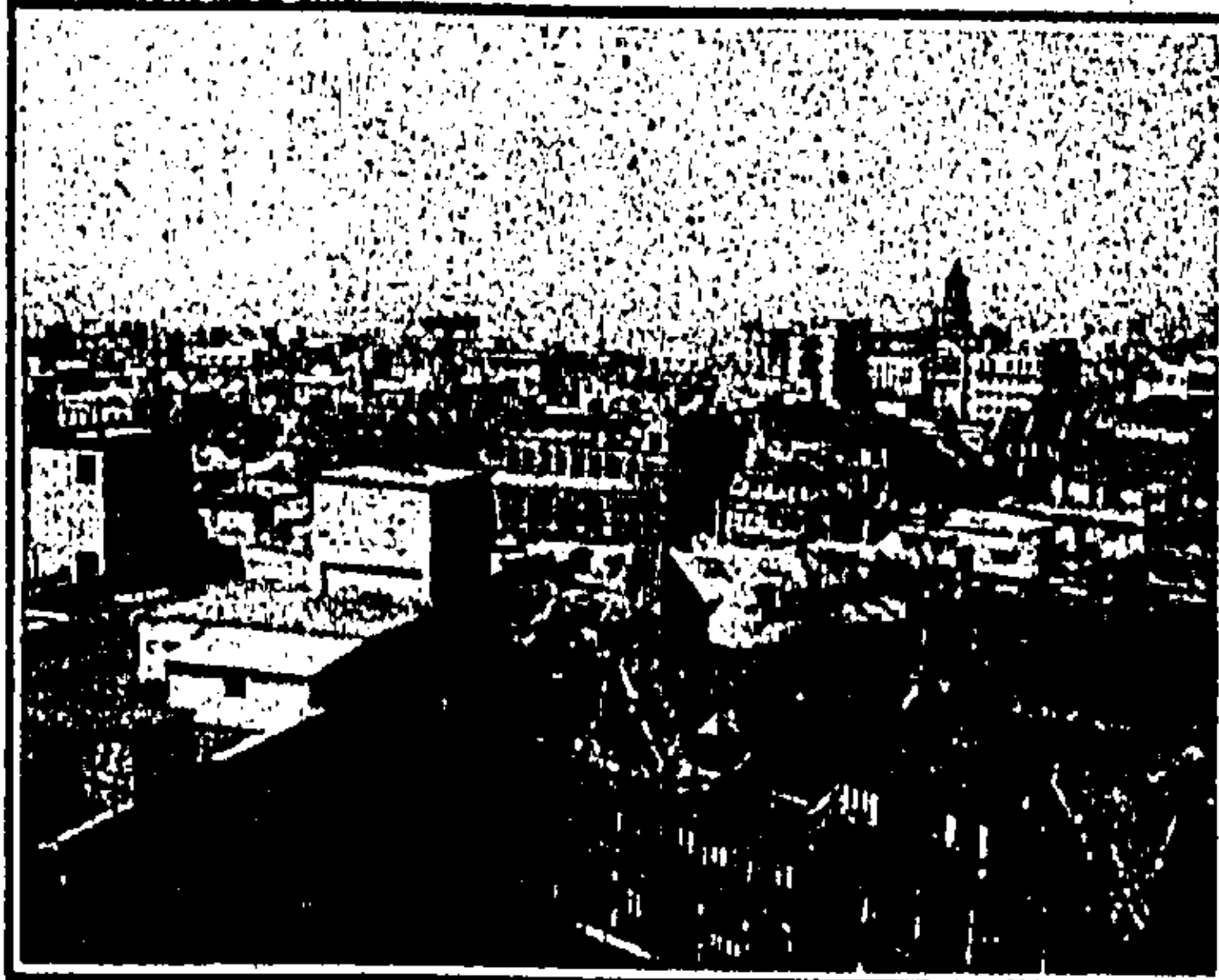
By Small



A picture of those who took the parts of knights and that of King Arthur in the Shanghai Girl Guides play, "The New Order" which they presented yesterday week at the French Municipal School on Route Vallon.



A carload of children being sold in the famine areas and carried away. The girls are sold as wives in the district where disease has wrought a shortage of women, the boys are mostly adopted Sarat-i, Suiyuan, December 1929.



From the top of the new Sassoon building a splendid view of Shanghai may be had in all directions. In the picture above, looking west, may be seen the tall tower of the General Post Office.



These photographs were taken at the Gymkhana held at the Shanghai Polo ground last week by the Shanghai Light Horse. Top left:—Waiting for the signal to start the bareback wrestling. Top right:—Lt. H. D. Rodger of the American Troop, S.V.C., clearing the last jump in the individual event. Bottom left:—Four of the Light Horse topping a jump in the section jumping event. Bottom right:—Brig. C. C. Borrott, C.B., C.M.G., (second from left) and Maj. Gen. A. E. Wardrop, C.B., C.M.G., who acted as judges at the Gymkhana.



A peasant from the famine area and his old mother whom he had carried this way for 200 li. in search of work.



The above photograph shows the Portuguese soccer teams of Hongkong and Shanghai which met last week-end at the Stadium, the visitors winning by five goals to two. Top row; left to right:—A. Gutierrez, Secretary P.S.A., F. A. Xavier, Secretary Club Recreio, M. F. Leitao, president P.S.A., R. A. Silva, manager football section, Club Recreio; M. Campos, manager football section, P.S.A. Second row:—O. Roza-Pereira (H), R. Silva-Netto (H), N. Beltrac (H), P. Xavier (H), L. Marcel (S), A. Rangle (S), H. Corto-Real (S), W. Lawrence (S). Third row:—B. Gosano (H), C. Remedios (H), S. Sousa (H), C. Figueiredo (H), A. Collaco (S), A. Costa (S), C. Favacho (S), A. Souza (S). Bottom row:—A. Brown (H), A. Ward (H), L. A. Rocha (H), A. Gosano (H), A. A. Remedios (H, Capt.), H. S. Collaco (S, Capt.), F. Noodt (S), R. R. Favacho (S), A. Noodt (S), L. Gonsalves (S). The Moody Cup and the Interport Shield are seen in the foreground.

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FANLING HUNT.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Spring Meeting, to be held on Sunday, 21st April, 1929, may be obtained from Messrs. Thomson & Co., York Building.

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STUDENTS' SHOCK FOR COMMUNIST SPEAKER.

London, Mar. 9.

There were extraordinary scenes

at a meeting at King's College,

Strand, yesterday, when a smoke

bomb was exploded by students

during a lecture given by Mr. J. T.

Murphy, a member of the

executive of the Communist party,

under the auspices of the King's

College Socialist Society.

The bomb, which had been

hidden behind a large wooden

screen near the platform of the

lecture theatre, was exploded by a

student pressing the button of an

electrical apparatus.

A small window was broken and

part of the panelling of the screen

was blown out.

The theatre, which was packed

with hundreds of men and women

students, was filled with sul-

phurous smoke and sawdust dis-

charged from the bomb.

As soon as the bomb exploded

Mr. Murphy rushed from the

theatre pursued by the greater

part of the audience, many women

taking part in the chase.

There were cries of "Catch

him," but when the smoke cleared,

after rushing through smoke-laden

corridors, reached the quadrangle.

Mr. Murphy had disappeared.

Fireworks Let Off.

Lively scenes preceded the

explosion of the bomb. Mr.

Murphy, who was to lecture on the

rationalisation of industry, in

place of Mr. Harry Pollitt, who

was unable to attend, found the

words, "The People's Flag is

Deepest Red, White and Blue"

chanted on a large blackboard.

Mr. Murphy wiped out the words

"White and Blue." "The flag,"

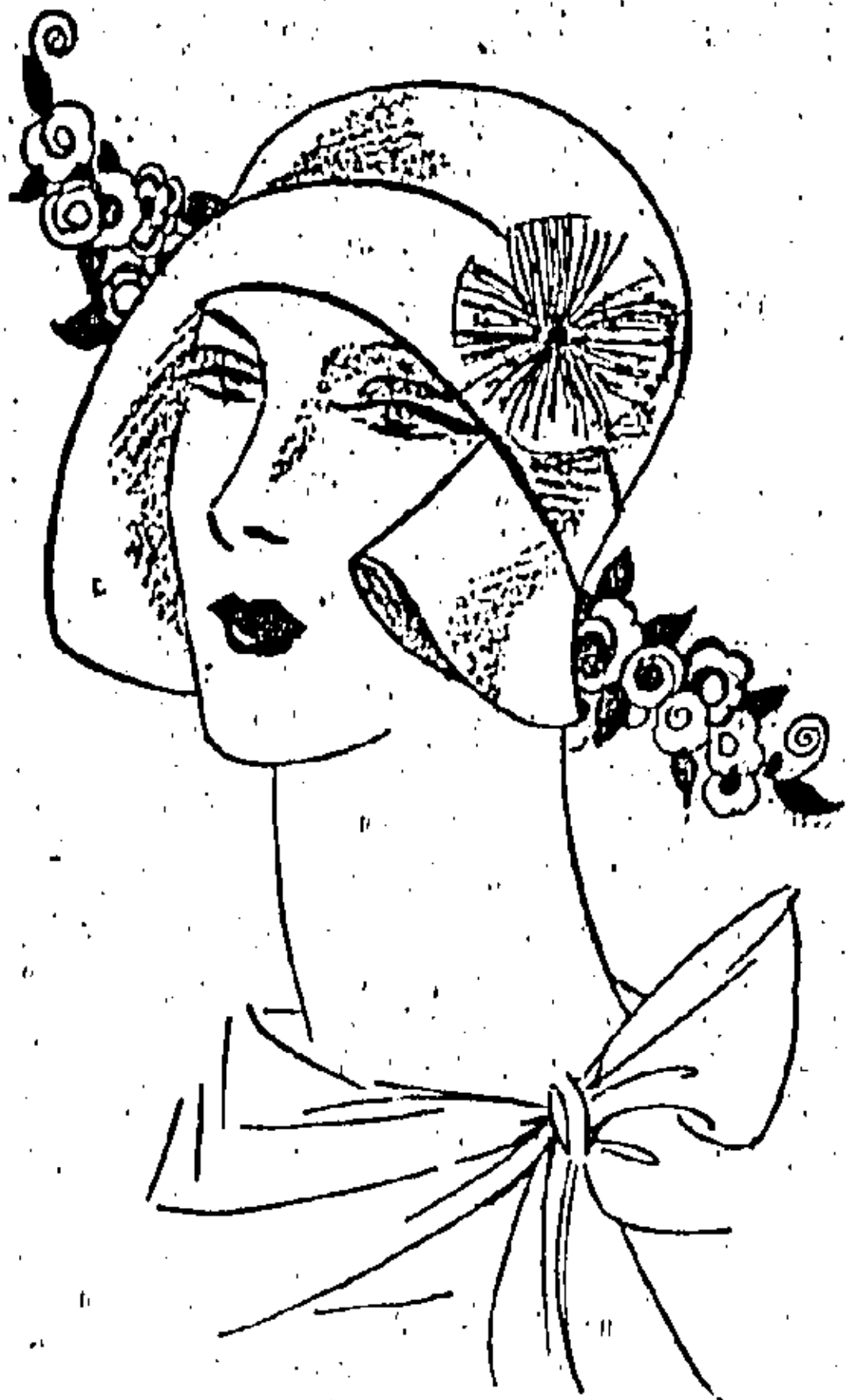
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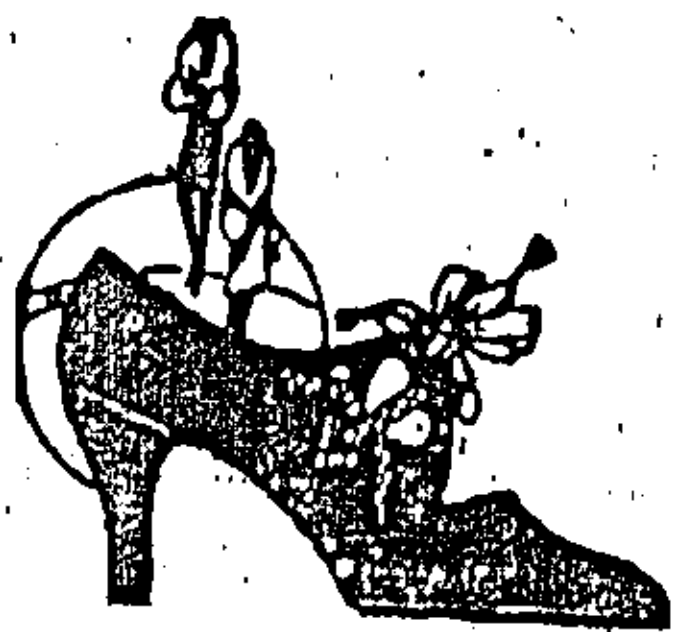
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WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

For Evening.

FABRICS FOR EVENING
WEAR.

In a journal of 1881, the decree of fashion was as follows:—"The old plain silks, grosgrain and glace, are re-appearing, and many people will think this very good news, as there never was certainly a more delightful 'best dress' than a good black silk in anyone's wardrobe."

Wise counsel, which holds good even in these times when every dress would pass muster as a "best dress." But the vogue for black silk still persists, and the wardrobe should still contain one black ensemble for evening and social occasions.

Brocades.

Voluminous skirts distinguish the robe-de-style, which is the evening gown of the hour, and soft fabrics in wide widths are supplied to meet this demand. Very handsome for the older woman is a black satin brocade, interwoven with roses in gold untarnishable thread, while the same wide material is seen in beige with inter-pattern of silver, and distractingly alluring for the spring bride is a white brocade with pattern of silver or gold—a truly bridal fabric.

Many brocades for evening wear show the influence of the East in their warm and intricate patternings and colourings for they are heavily patterned as a mandarin's coat.

Shaded Fabrics.

Fashion seems to have devoted a special chapter to the older woman, for more, that most accommodating of fabrics, is in vogue, in shades of mauve merging to violet, grey shading into black. Shaded fabrics showing the colours shading into a deeper hue, or into white, will be much worn on summer evenings. These shadow effects are happiest in the georgette fabrics which are seen in a host of bewilderingly charming colourings, such as black-red-white; blue in three or four toning shades merging into white. The shading is kind to the heavy figure, as it has a slenderising effect.



The tuck-in shirt blouse of natural shantung, trimmed with hand-veining and finished with a nigger satin tie, is well worn with a cheek nigger and beige tweed skirt. Note the hip-yoke and the rather broad belt—two important features of the blouse-and-skirt ensemble.



Exquisite lace negligees, of which the one sketched is a charming example, are largely featured in the Paris salons. Expressed in shell pink lace over a georgette foundation in the same delicate shade, this model is trimmed with deep silk fringe, and fastened in front with a black satin bow.

About Jewellery.

FOR ALL TYPES OF
CLOTHES.

Whether the jewellery be real or substitute matters little this season, for its value and appeal lies in the craftsmanship which has gone to its designing.

Silvered metal is ornately chased in patterns of Eastern design—amber and jade is again popular, and, if the silver anklets and bracelets become popular, we shall see with the famous lady from Banbury Cross.

Crystal and Pearls.

A barbaric note creeps into jewellery for evening wear in a collar of quartz Chinese beads carved in amber and gold lined. Another novelty is a "harness" collar in white or rose-pink crystal. There is, too, a novelty necklace of pearl designed for the back décolletage. Three strands of graduated pearls form a loose choker effect, with the ends caught in a silver filigree clasp. Four long pearl ends hang from this, finishing at varying lengths with a single pearl. The ends are confined midway with a bar of paste, giving a tassel effect to the pearls. This necklace, worn with the long ends in front, is particularly pleasing with velvet.

Jewellery is even permitted with the sports outfit, and consists of hat ornament, tight choker necklace, brooch, bracelet, pin, and occasionally a ring. A dainty ensemble of this nature is shown in cloisonne in delicate shades. Filigree necklaces in silver or gold, some plain and others set with artificial stones, are also popular.

Gipsy Jewels.

Of gipsy type are the beads like flat coins that lie flat on the throat. These discs of platinum, carved, and set with some pleasing stone of the semi-precious type, are very much worn. The stones are not set in the centre of the discs but

New Colours.

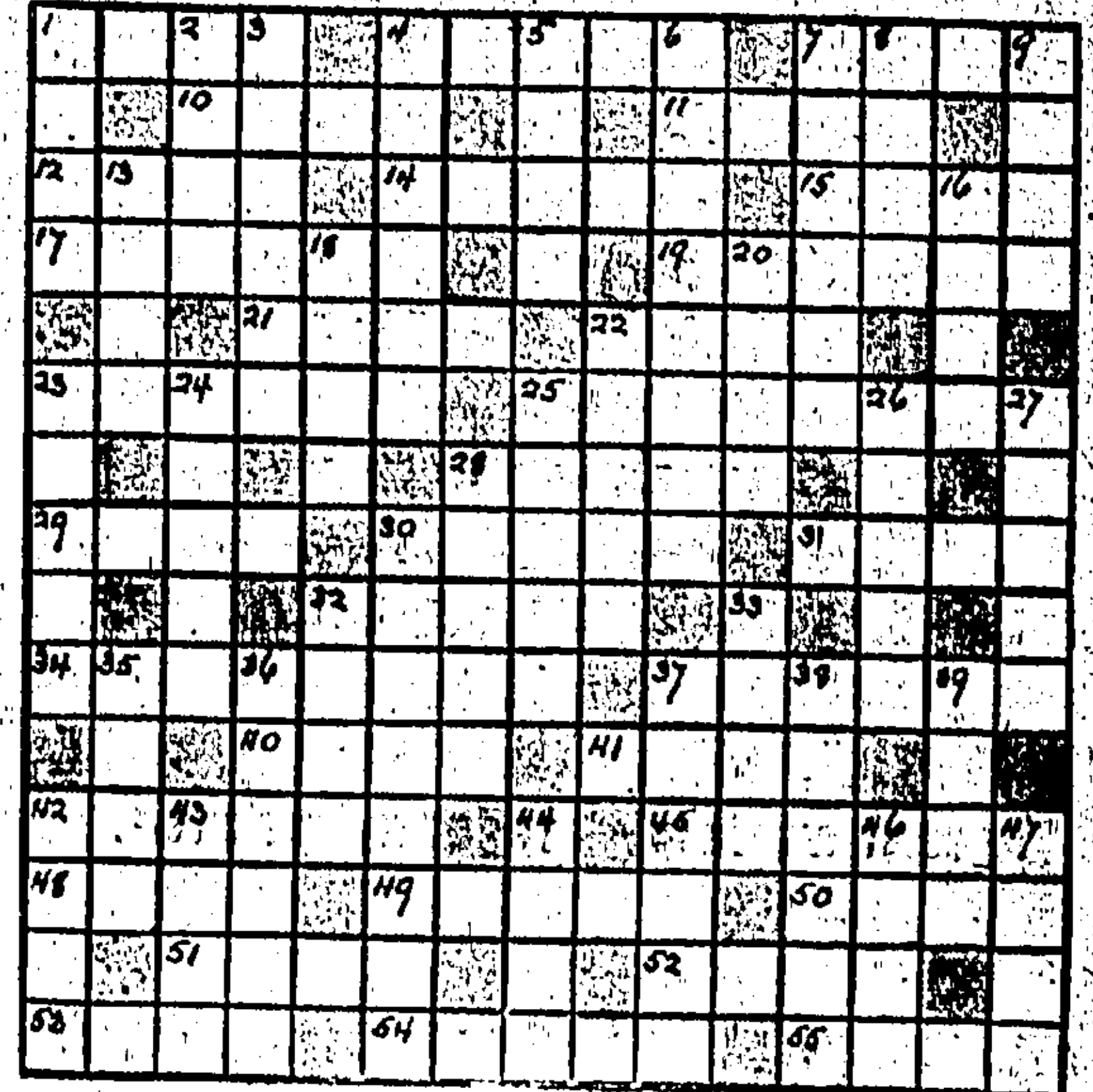
LARGE VARIETY TO CHOOSE
FROM.

Leading colours for the season include green, in its lightest and prettiest shades—almond-green, lily-leaf, jade, moss, and mignonette particularly; honey-suckle, in all its lovely pinks, creams, and yellows; apricot; cocoa, throughout its various gradations, and café-au-lait; scarlet, japonica, currant, and the deeper reds of the magenta, mulberry, and burgundy class; beige, tinged with yellow rather than pink; flesh; bulrush-brown; yellow (especially lemon and crocus), from orange to melon; and blue—in new pastel and full shades, the darker ones, rich in colour, catching the dull indigo blues of the past.

Sapphire and moonlight-blue are much seen, and a quiet but charming slate-blue strikes a new note, while the brighter shades include a lovely Eastern blue and lapis. Grey, in pewter and aluminium shades, is very fashionable, and there is a generous display of pastel tints in summer fabrics. The new shade of dun is certain to be very popular.

At odd positions, with true Roman effect. Similar in idea are the designs in gold leaf hanging from little silver chains, or flat and set with corneal, jade, or lapis lazuli, are shown for day wear. Popular, too, are the flat steel bracelets patterned in enamel, which match the belt buckles.

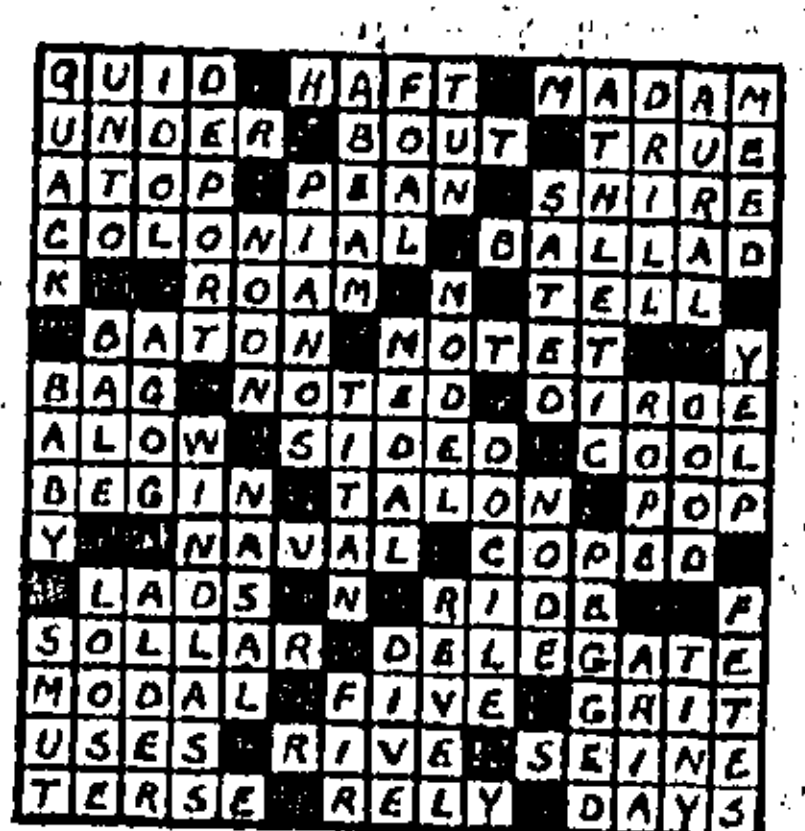
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31 Intice.
32 Those who change sects.
34 Superintends.
37 Exclusive privilege.
40 — of march.
41 Valley.
42 Lease holder.
43 Mounted soldier.
48 Prepare for publication.
49 Ethical.
50 Gratuity.
51 Dell.
52 Looked at.
53 Jetty.
54 Finger.
55 Deceit.

8 Plant allied to lily.
9 Appear.
13 Hail (Naut).
16 Speak.
18 Tariff.
20 Bitter.
22 Grains.
23 Divest.
24 Elevate.
25 Chafe.
26 Have effect.
27 Not bitter.
28 Goddess of Grain.
30 Saved.
32 See.
33 Public festivity.
35 Having a roo.
36 Correlative to brother.
37 Rough bed.
38 Gentle.
39 Christmas carol.
40 Jump.
42 Pomposity.
44 Two-masted vessel.
45 System of signals.
47 Remainder.

Yesterday's Solution.



SEIZED GERMAN SHIPS

COMPENSATION BY AMERICA.

Berlin, Mar. 10.
The American arbitrator appointed under the War Claims Settlement Act of February last year to determine the compensation to be paid to German shipping firms for ships confiscated by the United States during the war made some important preliminary decisions yesterday.

Under the Act, America is only liable in the case of ships coming under the category of "commercial." Before fixing the amount of the compensation, it is therefore incumbent upon the arbitrator to sift the claims advanced by the German shipping companies in order to determine how far they are admissible in principle. He accordingly allowed claims by the North German Lloyd in respect of their ships Princess Alice and Coblenz, and of the Hamburg America Line in respect of the Holsatia and Sambia.

On the other hand, he rejected the claims in respect of the Lloyd ships Prince Eitel Friedrich, Kronprinz Wilhelm, and Loeksum, and of the Hansa Line ship Liebenfels, on the ground that they were effective naval units at the time of confiscation.

Assessment In May.

It is understood here that these four ships are the only ones likely to be disputed, and that all the other claims will be admitted by the arbitrator. According to the present programme he will begin to consider the actual amount payable in compensation for each ship claimed on May 18.

The process of assessment promises to afford considerable difficulties. The German shipping companies consider that they are entitled to 230,000,000 dollars (\$230,000,000), while the American Naval Board of Survey has valued the confiscated ships at about 34,000,000 dollars (\$34,000,000).

The War Claims Settlement Act opens up prospects of a compromise by fixing 100,000,000 dollars (\$100,000,000) as the maximum compensation payable in respect of ships, patents and radio stations. It appears to be generally anticipated here that the 100,000,000 dollars will actually be paid, and that the assessments will be graded accordingly.

Since the New Year the North German Lloyd has received 2,000,000 dollars (\$2,000,000) for the Hoboken Piers, but this was paid under separate provisions of the Act, and has nothing to do with the claims for the ships. Under the provisions of the Act as a whole Germany expects ultimately to receive 230,000,000 dollars (\$230,000,000).

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

The engagement is announced of Patricia, elder daughter of Capt. C. T. Wallington, O.R.E., Royal Army Ordnance Corps and Mrs. Wallington to Richard Yarworth Frost, Asiatic Petroleum Co., second son of Mrs. B. L. Frost formerly of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Hongkong and the late Mrs. Frost.

**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

TUESDAY APRIL 9, 1929.

THE LIBERAL PLEDGE.

If the Liberals do not do well in the coming General Election, it will not be for want of energy. A Reuter cable received over the week-end states that they are first in the field in the campaign, with a gigantic drive participated in by several thousand speakers, supported by the Party's leaders, who have made a whirlwind tour from Land's End to John O'Groats. This smacks very much of the dynamic activity of Mr. Lloyd George, who is making a big effort to return to the very forefront of political life. He and the Party which he leads are staking much on their scheme for a solution of the unemployment problem. The Liberal leader has claimed that, given a sufficiently energetic and determined Government, it will be possible to reduce unemployment to normal dimensions within the space of a single year, without increasing rates and taxes above their present level. He even goes as far as to stake his own reputation, and that of the Liberal Party, on the successful performance of that task. This declaration has been jeered at by Conservative and Labour spokesmen, but the Observer says they are "inwardly more impressed than they admit."

As this unemployment question is likely to figure more prominently than any other in the coming election, it is interesting to look a little closely into the Liberal plan. This we are able to do by noting some of the contents of the pamphlet setting out in detail the programme of capital expenditure which forms the basis of Mr. Lloyd George's pledge. It is entitled: "We Can Conquer Unemployment," and it gives detailed figures, for each of six principal categories of proposed public expenditure, of the amount of money that can usefully be spent, and the amount of additional employment that may be expected. These categories are (1) roads and

bridges, (2) housing, (3) telephones, (4) electric development, (5) land drainage, and (6) London tubes. Under these heads alone (which by no means exhaust the policy of national development) it is claimed that the work contemplated would absorb nearly 600,000 workpeople by the end of the first year. Roads and bridges account for the greater part of this total. Under this heading, an additional expenditure over the next two years of no less than £145,000,000 is proposed, and it is estimated that the additional employment, direct and indirect, would be 350,000 men in the first year and 375,000 in the second. These are large figures, but it is stated that care has been taken to exclude from the calculations schemes which, however desirable, could not be speedily put in hand. On this ground, for example, all London bridges schemes, among them the project for a new bridge at Charing Cross, are excluded from the two years' programme.

There is, of course, nothing new in the general idea which the Liberals now put forward, but credit must be given the Party leaders for working it out in such detail. This is very evident in regard to the road-building programme. Maps are given showing the precise trunk roads which it is proposed to construct, and their cost, like that of the other items, is separately computed. Indeed, the whole road programme is set out in such detail that it is obviously based on technical advice. What impression these proposals will make on the electorate remains to be seen, but this much can at any rate be said—that the Liberals do not intend to go to the country on any nebulous election-cry so far as unemployment is concerned. They may possibly reap some advantage from their enterprise.

The Water Problem.

The water shortage on the island is rapidly approaching the stage when no resident can afford to ignore the seriousness of the problem. Official figures reveal that the reservoirs contain sufficient water to maintain present supplies for approximately two months, an acutely narrow margin of safety, and we are safe in assuming that the warning of further restrictions to come is not an idle one. It is, indeed, highly probable that unless rain of substantial quantity falls before the end of the month, a new system of rationing will have to be applied to the whole of the island, and there will be much bewailing. We venture to suggest that this position is, in part, the result of thoughtless failure in many cases to co-operate with the Government in the plea for strict economy. The various methods urged and the special measures officially taken have failed to effect any appreciable saving in consequence, directly or indirectly, of this lack of vision, and the unfortunate part about it is that, if the worst comes to the worst, the lot of the wasters will be no harder than that of anyone else. Normally, sufficient rain should fall in the month of April to ensure safety, but 1929 has already been abnormal in countless ways, and therefore, nothing can be left to chance. Only one consolation is derivable from this state of affairs. The almost unprecedented drought has forced the Government to go ahead with necessary water-works with a despatch nothing alternative could have produced. It is satisfactory to learn that the Kowloon Bye-Wash will be ready almost as soon as the harbour pipe-line, namely, at the end of the present year. This is thoroughness which should militate against the Colony ever again finding itself in a perilous plight similar to that of to-day.

Mr. G. W. Reeve, B.A., is to lecture on "The Moral Aim of a School" in the Hongkong University Union room on Thursday at 5 p.m.

DAY BY DAY.

THE WORLD MOVES ALONG, NOT ONLY BY THE GIANTIC SHOVELS OF ITS HERO-WORKERS, BUT BY THE AGGREGATE TINY PUSHES OF EVERY HONEST WORKER.—J. R. Green.

The Empress of Asia, which left Hongkong on March 20th, arrived at Vancouver on the 8th instant.

H.M.S. Kent and H.M.S. Peterfield will probably leave Hongkong for Shanghai on Saturday, April 27.

The Bon Lino s.s. Benclench, from Home, Straits and Philippines ports, is due here on the 10th instant.

Mr. Roy C. Bennett, managing editor of the Manila Bulletin, is passing through the Colony, after a brief trip to Shanghai.

H.M. Ships Sandwich and Bridgewater left Portsmouth and Plymouth respectively yesterday for China. These new vessels are replacing the Bluebell and Foxglove which are now on their way to England.

We have received from the Colonial Secretary a copy of the Prospectus of the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture for 1929-30, together with the Principal's Report for 1927-28, and the Register of the College.

Alleged to have been concerned in a piracy on a junk at Tai Nam Chung on March 21, 1928, a Chinese who appeared on remand before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning was remanded till Thursday afternoon for hearing.

A Chinese youth in the apprenticeship stage of motor-car driving was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Police Court at morning, with driving a car at West Point, his "learner's" licence entitling him only to drive a car in Happy Valley district. Pleading guilty, he was fined \$25, or one month. The fine was paid.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith fixed Friday afternoon for the hearing of the case in which four men are charged with receiving property stolen from Eli Cottage, Old Kowloon Tong, following the recent murder of a gardener. The defendants were originally charged with murder but were acquitted on that count.

After perusing a minute from the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, fined a 13-year-old Chinese girl \$75 for being in possession of 2.5 tales of raw opium. His Worship directed that if the fine is not paid the defendant was to be taken before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs again. The girl was remanded from yesterday while the S.C.A. was communicated with on the matter of imposing a suitable penalty.

When the s.s. Chenonceau sails from Hongkong on the 23rd instant, she will have on board both the French Consul in Canton, Monsieur A. Danjou, and the French Consul in Hongkong, Monsieur Dufaurde de la Prade. Both these Consuls are proceeding on home leave and expect to return later. Monsieur Eynard will be arriving in Canton to-day by the French gunboat Argus to replace Monsieur Danjou, whilst, Monsieur Duval is arriving here to-day to replace Monsieur Dufaurde de la Prade. Monsieur Duval is arriving from Peking where he has been Secretary of Archives at the Legation for some time.

THE POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Orders by Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police, state:

Chinese Company.

"First Aid to the Injured."—Class for instruction in First Aid will be held at the Company's Headquarters on Wednesday, April 10th, at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Signalling.—The Signalling Squad will attend at the Company's Headquarters for practice in Morse and Semaphore under Crown Sergeant R15 Ow. Young Hing on Wednesday, April 10th at 6.30 p.m. sharp.

Annual Examination in Part 2.—The examination in Part 2 of Training Course will continue at the Company's Headquarters on Thursday, April 11th at 5.30 p.m. sharp under Chief Inspector H. J. Paterson, Principal of the Police Training School.

The following is the result so far of the Annual Examination:—Passed with Great Credit:—Crown Sergeant R25 Tsui Kwong, L/Sergt. R35 Yuen Kwok Yan, Sub-Inspector E. Mow Fung, and L/Sergt. R13 David Lole.

Passed with credit:—L/Sergt. R24 Kwok Chan, Cr. Sergt. R15 Ow Young Hing, Sub-Inspector Chow U Ting, Const. R42 Poon Ping Hong, L/Sergt. R46 Thomas Yip, Const. R67 Chow Ching Chiu, L/Sergt. R58 William K. S. Mok, L/Sergt. R56 Cheng Shuk Kit, and Cr. Sergt. R18 Hwang Hong Yeh.

Passed:—Const. R26 Tsui Keng, Chau, Const. R23 Ho Shit Yu, Const. R73 Ho Shiuque, Const. R40 Ng Chi Lau, Const. R48 Yu Man Cho, L/Sergt. R43 Ts'o Chi On, L/Sergt. R8 Ts'o Tsun On, Constables R57 Wong Man Ying, R60 Ts'o Kon Ohai, R12 Diam S. K. Chan, R79 Lo Tak Hoi, R14 Harry Lee, R50 Li Man Tsung, R66 Lawrence S. Y. Wong, R39 C. R. C. Ham, R36 Ngan Chi On, and R75 Ip Ping Chi.

Indian Company.

Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Police Headquarters on Tuesday, April 16th for drill under Sergeant Condon. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Blue Uniform, belt and cap without cover. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, April 9th. Fall in at the Tsim-tsa-tsi Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hongkong Section will take place on Thursday, April 11th. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company.

The Adjutant is pleased to note that two members of this Company tied with "Possibles," with another competitor for first place in the Open Revolver Championship on Monday, April 1st. At the tie shoot Constable R435 P. Fletcher gained second place and Constable R405 Y. K. Ho third.

Summer Uniform.

Members of the Chinese, Indian, and Flying Squad Companies are warned to get their Summer Uniform ready; those who are not in possession of same will apply to their respective Equipment Officer. Adjutant. (Sgd.) W. KENT, A.S.P.

The Very Idea!

The German Post Office has introduced "brighter" telegrams. On payment of a small additional charge, the sender can have a message delivered to the addressee written or typed on a form that is decorated with a coloured design suitable to the occasion on which the telegram is sent.

Thus, says Reuter's Cologne correspondent, a newly married couple, instead of receiving telegraphed good wishes from their friends on a dirty white sheet of paper, will be handed a special form emblazoned with a woodcut of a wedding-car. A pair of doves designed in three colours will convey good luck and happiness to engaged couples, and so forth. To those in doubt expert officials will tender advice as to the most suitable design to select, but they will not undertake to guarantee that the recipient will be pleased.

The possibilities of the idea are unlimited. So far the decorated forms are being confined to "good wishes," but further series will be available later. Some of these latter should prove interesting.

There are some examples of Post Office cleverness, recorded by a correspondent of the London Morning Post.

A Reading resident has an envelope addressed by a former nurse on which, after the strangely misspelt name of a "suar" appears the name of the post town, "Seantly Nurse." This was correctly translated by the Post Office as St. Leonards.

Another letter that got home, but only after long travels, bore the name of the recipient and the word Persia; it went to Isphahan, and was sent back bearing Persian writing and the words "Try Pershore, Worcestershire," which was a correct guess.

More remarkable still is the story of a reader who, on a trip round the world, touched at Colombo for a day. A friend at Kandy wrote to her at the wrong hotel. "Unaware that she had written," she says, "I proceeded on a trip to China, Japan, and Canada, and the letter found me at an hotel in New York. I have never solved the mystery of how it traced me."

(The landlord of a Hambledon inn has started a lending library of "thrillers.")

Give me the welcome of the friendly inn,
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Far from the seething city's
hectic din.
Yet entertained by super-
stitions, acuter
Than any I could ever hope to
meet.

Throughout a humdrum, every-
day existence
Superbly cool, efficient and dis-
creet,
Models of grit deduction and
perseverance.
These and the crooks who vainly
scheme and plot,
Delighted and enthralled for
hours shall hold me;
The world forgetting, by the
world forgot—
While safe and sound "The
Thriller's Arms" enfold me.

Following the publication recently of details of the remarkable resemblance of adult male twins, of whom it was said that even their finger prints were identical, Scotland Yard received inquiries from almost all over the world, asking whether this indicated a weakness in the finger print system. Scotland Yard obtained reproductions of the finger prints, and the examination revealed certain superficial resemblances, but other characteristics were absolutely dissimilar.

Because she failed to take down the flag in the school yard, Evelyn Jackson, 12, a pupil in an American school, was made to wear a sign around her neck which read "I am not a good citizen." Miss Jackson, in bringing suit through her father against her teacher, Kenneth Seoon, charged that snow and ice made it difficult to take down the flag and that the flag had been left up on numerous occasions. The suit called for damages of \$20,000.

"Yes, suh, I always goes to church when you preaches."
"I am glad to hear that; but why when I preach—why not every Sunday?"
"I'm sure of gettin' a good seat when you preaches, suh."

Further details of the motor mishap in which Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hancock were involved show that there was no actual spill. What actually happened was that the front connexion of the elder came adrift, and, to avoid going off the road, into the sea, Mr. Hancock pulled the machine to the right and had his foot crushed against the stone embankment, breaking a bone.

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COMMON ERRORS
IN BRIDGE
AND HOW TO
CORRECT THEM
by W.W. Wentworth**

43. SELECTING WRONG SUIT TO BE ESTABLISHED

North (Dummy)—
♠ 7 5 4 3
♥ 8 5 3 2
♦ 6 4 2
♣ 10 8

West—
Leads ♠ 2

South (Declarer)—
♠ A Q
♥ A Q J 10
♦ A K Q 9
♣ A K 3

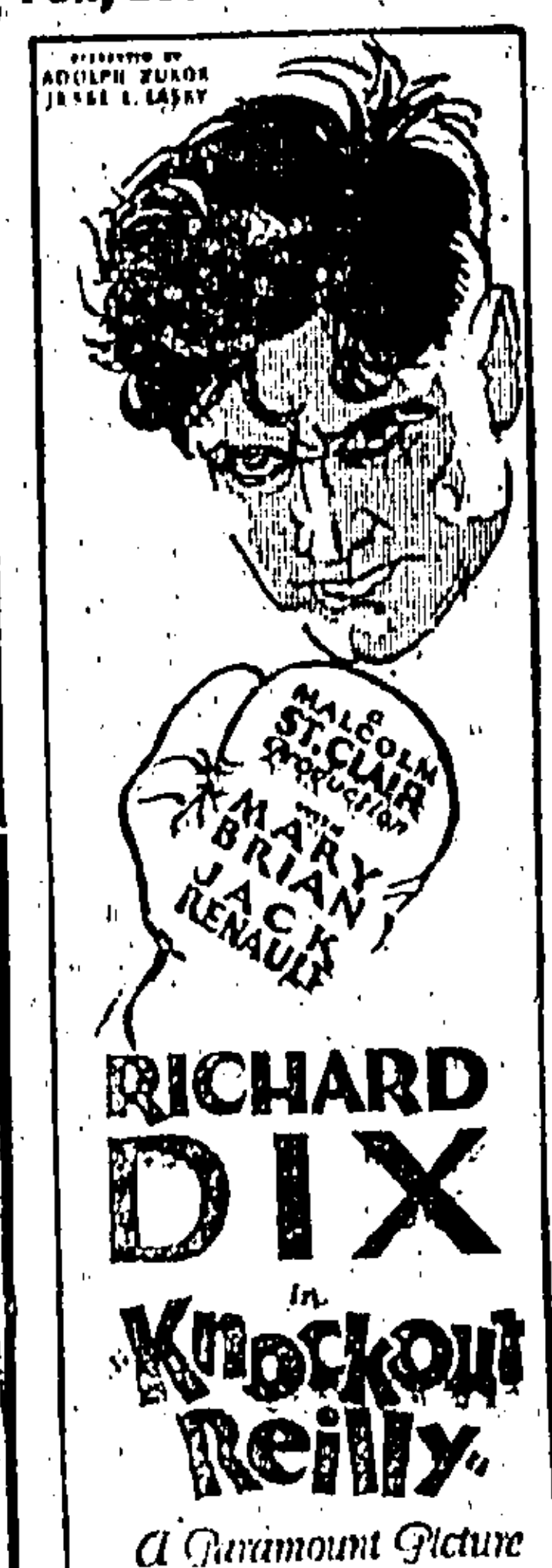
The Bidding:—South bids no trump and all pass.
Deciding the Play:—West leads 2 of spades, which is won by Declarer with Queen of spades. What suit should Declarer now play?

The Error:—Declarer plays diamond suit and the game is sacrificed.

The Correct Method:—Declarer should first play the heart suit to force Ace of hearts and King of hearts. Opponents will be forced to discard on the next heart trick and they may discard a diamond thereon, with the result that when the diamond suit is thereafter played, four tricks will be made in diamonds. Played in this manner, game must be made. By playing the diamond suit first, Declarer will in all probability make not more than eight tricks.

The Principle:—When holding Ace-King-Queen-X in closed hand and X X X in Dummy or vice versa postpone playing this suit until you have obtained a discard in that suit.

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THE WORLD OF SPORT



RUGBY FOOTBALL.

NAVY DEFEATS CLUB IN THRILLING ENCOUNTER.

[By "Styx"]

The final match of the triangular Rugby contest took place at Happy Valley yesterday evening between the Club and the Navy, resulting in a narrow victory for the latter by 16 points (two goals and two penalty goals) to 13 points (two goals and one penalty goal).

Those present were favoured with one of the finest displays of Rugby football witnessed in the Colony this season, the outstanding feature of which was, undoubtedly, the magnificent place-kicking of Morgan and Goldman. I doubt, indeed, whether such a display has a precedent at Happy Valley.

Five minutes from the start, the Club took the lead with a try by Stanton—a great dribbling effort from the Navy's twenty-five. Goldman converted. Ten minutes later, the Club were awarded a penalty, Goldman being successful with the kick. Shortly afterwards, the Club went further ahead with a try from Koop, the chief honours of which go to Goldman who intercepted a pass and made considerable distance before sending the ball across the line to Koop. The Club, however, must be commended for their fine passing on this occasion and indeed throughout the game. Goldman converted. Half-time found the Club leading by 13 points to nil, though the Navy should have opened their account but failed on an easy penalty.

On resuming, Evans with a spectacular run took the Navy to the Club twenty-five from which point they were successful with a penalty awarded Bonnar off-side. Nothing exceptional occurred for the next quarter of an hour, having one brilliant run by Koop, and play became very scrappy.

After this, the Navy made a great rally and the Club defence was sorely taxed for the remainder of the game. From a loose on the Club line they scored their first try which Morgan converted with a superb kick. Club 13, Navy 8.

Spurred to greater efforts, they then proceeded to add another try from a movement starting in the Club's half. Morgan again converted and thus levelled the scores.

Almost on time, the Navy were awarded yet another penalty, the Club kicking "four up" and with a successful kick carried off the honours of the match and also finished top in the annual contest.

The match was full of thrills and held the spectators from beginning to end.

For the Navy, Davis, Evans and Morgan excelled and for the Club, Milne Day, Riddell and West were seen to advantage whilst all the outsiders, Goldman in particular, played well up to form.

Captain Dobbie was the referee.

HONGKONG BASEBALL PROSPECTS.

ASSOCIATION HOLDS ITS ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Baseball Association was held at the American Consulate last evening, when the events of the past year were reviewed and new officers elected.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, after which a report of last year's work was given by the Treasurer, who said that the Association was in a fairly sound position insofar as finances were concerned.

The following officers were elected for the season: Mr. T. B. Wilson, president; Mr. C. E. Mayer, vice-president; and Mr. H. Hon. Sling, hon. secretary and treasurer. It was decided to run two leagues this year, one for the Senior and one for the Junior. Applications for entry to either of these divisions close on April 20, the officials finding it advisable to start some time in May if possible.

The Japanese are this year expected to put up a team for the senior division, in which, as far as can be gathered, four teams will compete. These are the Americans, who have been considerably strengthened by some new men, the Chinese, the Japanese and the Philippines, the last named of whom will lose some of their most useful men by the decision of the Japanese to enter a team this year.

SPLENDID TENNIS YESTERDAY.

S. A. RUMJAHN QUALIFIES FOR SINGLES FINAL.

DECIDING FACTOR.

An exceptionally high standard of tennis was achieved in the first semi-final of the Open Singles yesterday when S. A. Rumjahn defeated H. D. Rumjahn in straight sets. It was the fastest game yet witnessed in the tournament, both players, indulging in hard and accurate hitting, taking occasional risks, but seldom relapsing into mere defence.

The deciding factor eventually was S. A. Rumjahn's speed in covering the court. He got back some of his cousin's best shots brilliantly, and it seemed that the latter was in the closing stages placing the ball inches out in an effort to place the ball out of reach.

H. D. Rumjahn was in better form at the commencement, but he made more mistakes, particularly in his overhead work against the sun, and they played game and game until the score stood at three all. S. A. Rumjahn won the next two, and eventually took the first set at 6-1.

S. A. Rumjahn was seen at his best in the second and third sets. After losing the second game as the result of superb shots down the side-line by his cousin, though defence was five times called, he won three games in a row without conceding a point, except for a lucky net ball. He was down 0-40 in the sixth game, but forced the pace and retrieved the situation, finally taking the seventh after some long rallies and the set at 6-1.

When H. D. Rumjahn took the first two games in the third set, it seemed that there might still be a fight, but S. A. dominated the court, won five games in a row, and the set at 6-3.

S. A. Rumjahn gave a clever all-round exhibition and a reputation of the form he displayed should enable him to recapture the Singles Championship. H. D. was erratic, giving only glimpses of his best. He was finding the net far too often, and many of his shots would have been superb in a doubles match.

The Results.

The following are the results of yesterday's games:
Open Championship Singles (semi-final): S. A. Rumjahn beat H. D. Rumjahn 6-4, 6-1, 6-3.
Handicap Doubles: H. J. Armstrong and J. G. Lawrie (ove 4/0) beat S. E. Green and D. S. Green (ove 15) 7-5, 11-9, 6-2.
Marton and N. Owen Hughes (ove 15/1) beat G. N. de Man and C. Stigter (rec. 4/6) 6-2, 6-4.

Today's Matches.

The following matches are down for to-day:
Open Singles, Championship: E. C. Fincher v M. W. Lo.
Club Championship: S. E. Green v G. W. Sewell (final).

On in London.

London, Mar. 30.
In Gallery Club finals at Dulwich, Ohta beat Turnbull by three straight sets.

FANLING GOLF.

TIE IN THE CAPTAIN'S CUP COMPETITION.

The Captain's Cup competition for April, played over the old course at Fanling during the week-end, resulted in a tie between L. R. Andrews (78-5=73) and Major D. W. Benham (83-10=73). They will play off to decide who qualifies. Other scores were:

J. Smith 85-10=75
D. J. Gilmore 87-11=76
A. E. Lissaman 81-5=76
E. des Voeux 90-14=78
K. S. Robertson 82-6=78
R. K. Hepburn 84-8=78
E. D. Lawrence 84-8=78
N. K. Littlejohn 80-13=78
T. L. Christie 87-11=76
There were 43 entries.

As regards the junior division, it will not be known how many teams will compete until the entries close, but a large number have signified their intention of joining.

All the League matches will be played at Happy Valley as usual, but it is hoped that the South China ground at Caroline Hill will be available for some friendly games.

BOGUS TWINS PLOT ALLEGATION.

MAN WINS APPEAL IN PATERNITY CASE.

London, Mar. 9.
Remarkable love letters were read at London Sessions yesterday when John Warburton, Whittington, 22, appealed against an order made against him at Marylebone Police Court on January 15 in respect of the child of Babette Nancy Warner, 19, of Kildar-terrace, Bayswater.

When the case was heard at the police court, Mr. J. D. Cassels, K.C., for Whittington, suggested, in cross-examination, that Miss Warner and her widowed sister, Mrs. Pamela Gloria Walsley, were adventuresses, trying to get young men in their clutches.

The sisters denied the allegation, and also another that Mrs. Walsley had received a settlement of £140 or £150 in respect of twins which never existed. Mrs. Walsley stated that the twins were born to her in London and had been "given away."

Mr. Bertram Reece for Miss Warner, read a number of letters alleged to have passed between Miss Warner and Mr. Whittington.

In a letter written by Miss Warner, she mentioned that her writing was a bit shaky as she had had some cocktails.

Miss Warner addressed Whittington as "Dearest honeybunch" in a subsequent letter, and later wrote "Au revoir, my cave man."

Nurse's Story.

Cross-examined, Miss Warner said that she was born in Vancouver.

Mr. J. N. Emery (for the appellant): Do you know that no such name was found registered there?—No.

Your sister went as the Hon. Pamela Walsley?—Yes.

You know she is not entitled to that title?—She is, but there is a long history behind it.

I put it to you that you were endeavouring to obtain money in respect of the child for which Whittington was not responsible, and you knew he was not responsible for it?—No, I did not.

Mrs. Pamela Gloria Walsley, cross-examined by Mr. Emery, denied the suggestion that her story of giving birth to twins was untrue.

Whittington, giving evidence, said he found other men were visiting Miss Warner's home, and he began to think he was "a bit of a fool."

Nurse Florence Davis said that she recognised Miss Warner as the person who went into the nursing home as Mrs. Warner. Mrs. Walsley showed her a photograph of some one she said was the husband of the girl and the father of the child. He was not anything like Whittington.

The Chairman, Sir Robert Wallace, said the appeal would be allowed without costs.

WOMAN WHO DRESSED ON £10 A YEAR.

COMPLIMENTED IN COURT ON APPEARANCE.

Judge Crawford, who recently had some caustic remarks to make about the money spent on dress has met a woman with "more frugal habits."

The woman, who was well dressed, was a witness in a case at Edmonton County Court. For two years, she said, she was a barmaid, and during that time her wages totalled £180. She had spent £10 each year on dress and saved £160.

Judge Crawford: Did you put your savings into the bank?—No, I put them into a stocking, which I kept above the china cabinet at my home.

But would it not have been safer in the bank?—No, I thought it would be safer in my stocking. I did not want my husband to know how much I had as he might have wanted to borrow some.

"Storm of Indignation."

A Solicitor: Excuse me, madam, but have you always dressed as well as you are dressed to-day?—Yes.

Judge Crawford: You are more frugal in your habits than most people who come before me. Several years ago a storm of indignation was aroused by some one who wrote a book about how to dress a lady on £15 a year.

"Something of the same kind happened not long ago," he added, smilingly, apparently referring to his statement that it was preposterous for a working man to spend £4 on dressing his eight-year-old daughter.

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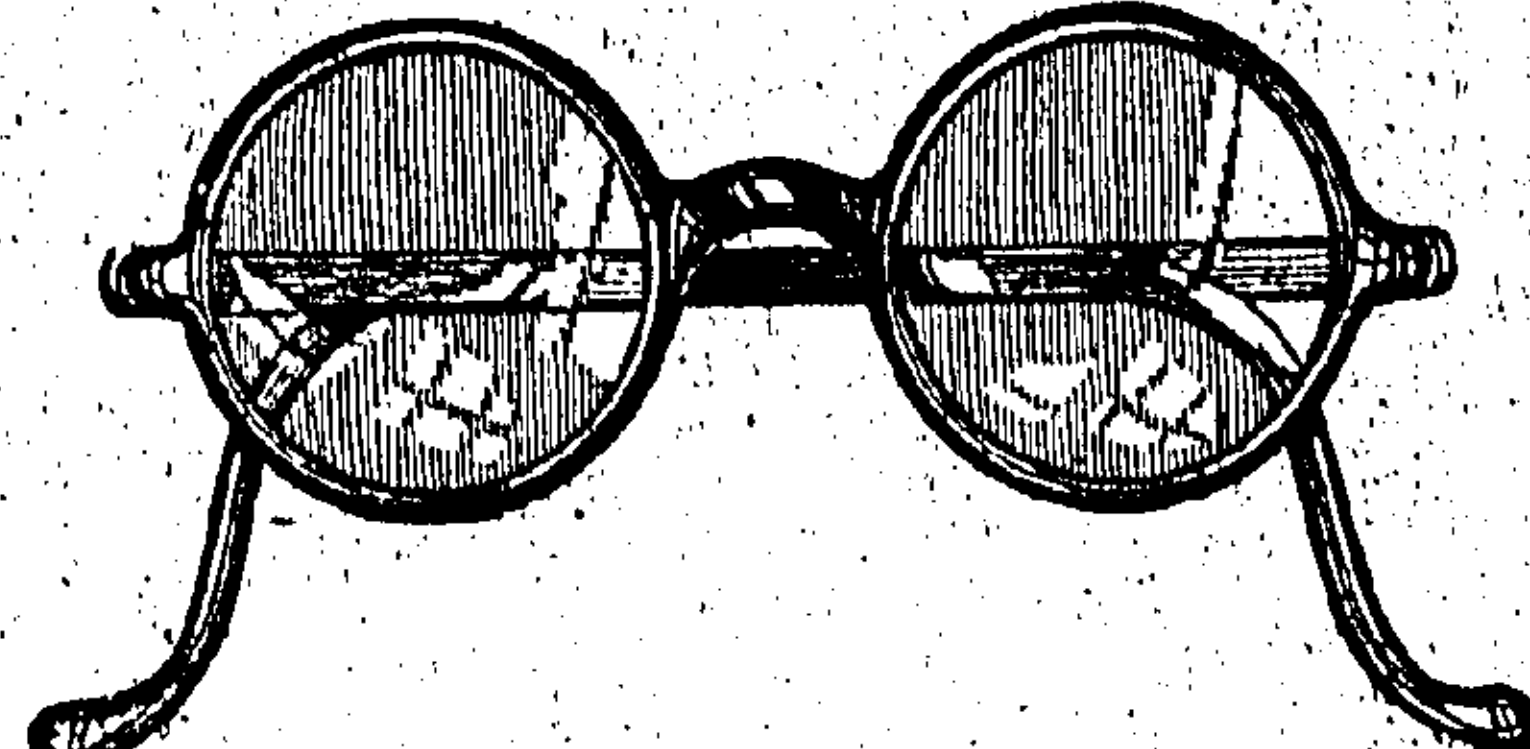
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Kellett Handicap: "B" Class.—Fifty Fifty (164), Bright Prospect (140), Mowgli (155), Blue World (164), Glory (152), Doubtful (145), Movangher (140), Monk (157), Duke of Melrose (156), Zephyr (145), King's Falloch (157), Erin's Isle (163), Charleston (140), Little Thunder (160).

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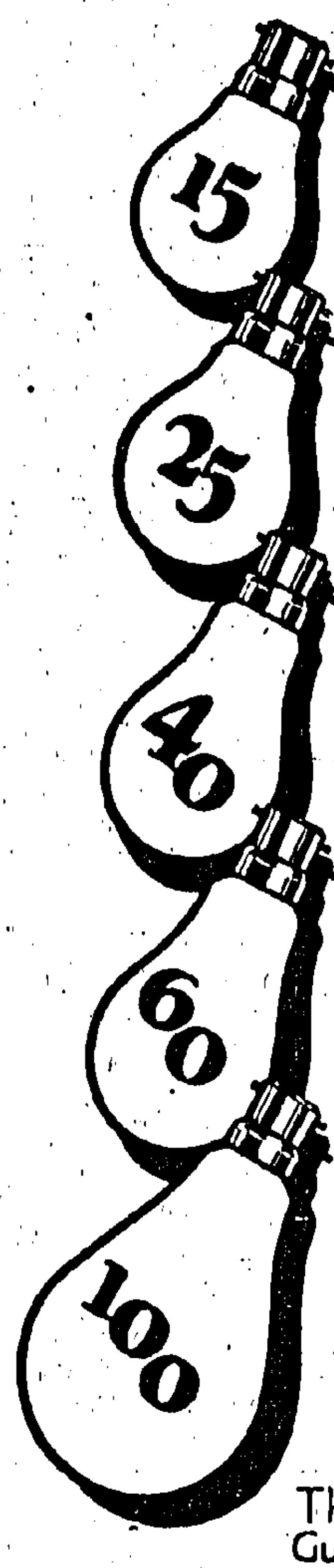
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AN INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE IN BERLIN.

Systematic preparations are being made in Berlin for the reception of the General Meeting of the International League for Women's Suffrage which will be held there in June. The preparations are being made externally and internally—a reception organization is being set on foot and at the same time efforts are being made to influence the general feeling in favour of the foreign guests and of the ideas which they bring with them.

It is obvious that the ideas and fields of activity which the International League for Women's Suffrage advocates could be substantially promoted in Germany, the country which has so far sent the largest number of women delegates to her parliaments out of the forty-five nations which belong to the International League. There are already many others, besides Germany, among them who have introduced women's suffrage, in part indeed at a much earlier date.

The national women's leagues in all those States in which the battle for female suffrage has already been won, are, notwithstanding this, still in existence and call themselves "The League of Women Voters," "The Women Citizens' Union," "The Union for Female Citizenship" etc. They endeavour to represent women's interests impartially in face of the legislature and to educate the women outside the parties for their new responsibilities as citizens. Thus at such an international congress the experience of those countries in which women members of parliament are already at work is brought into connexion with the efforts of those where the fight for the right to vote is still in progress. This is a very fruitful connexion. For, whether the women have the right to vote or not, they are interested in every case in laws which regulate their work in life and their work while the general consultation about questions of family rights, the protection of the working women, her position in communal administration and in that of justice and other subjects is of benefit to the women who already collaborate in the legislation as well as those who are thereby given an opportunity of learning from their more experienced sisters how these interests can be realized by legislation.

Towards Peace.

It is hardly necessary to state expressly that one of the chief aims of all international women's work is an international understanding and the promotion of peace. In the International League for Women's Suffrage, which in general also includes the politically advanced women of the different countries, this aim has always been kept in the foreground, it may almost be said as an essential part of its programme. Its former important leader, Mrs. Channing Catt, devoted her life particularly to the furtherance of peace not only during her term of office but also after her retirement and the present chairwoman Mrs. Corbett Ashby, conducts the League in absolutely the same spirit.

The Berlin Congress will culminate in a demonstration in favour of peace. In addition to the committees and meetings of delegates will deal with individual questions of international women's work, which are to the fore for the moment, such as the question of nationality of a woman who marries a foreigner the question of the international protection of female workers, the prevention of child marriages, the rising of the age of consent for girls, etc. In addition to the discussion of such questions of a directly international character, the meetings serve for an exchange of experiences relative to such questions as are subject to the legislation of the individual countries, such as the marriage laws, with regard to which women are struggling to obtain an equal and common advance.

As far as is known at present great interest is displayed by the outside world in the visit of this Congress to Germany. In fact hopes have been given of a strong delegation from Australia. It may thus be expected that the International work of the Congress will harmonize with the spirit in which it will be received in Germany and that a fresh impulse will be given by the Congress to international understanding and peace.

Playing in the final of the Army Football Cup at Aldershot during the Easter holidays, the 1st Battalion K. O. S. B. beat the Warwick Regiment, thus bringing them the first victory in the history of the Regiment in this competition, although they have been in the semi-finals for the last six years.

WOMEN IN FRONT OF MINE RIOTS.

"AN OLD TACTIC," SAYS SUPERINTENDENT.

Stories as to the part played by women during the recent disturbances at Nine Mile Point Colliery, Ynyssdu, were told when eight miners summoned for rioting appeared before the magistrates at Blackwood (Mon.) Police Court.

The small court was crowded with miners and their wives.

It was stated that previous to the disturbances the colliery had been closed, and in February, when the mine was to be reopened, arrangements were made to engage men who were not necessarily members of the Miners' Federation.

On February 6, when the police were escorting the local colliers to their home, there was a disturbance which ended in a baton charge.

"We have the names of a large number of other men," said Mr. H. S. Lyne, who prosecuted, "but we have endeavoured to bring before you those whom we think were prominent."

"It will strike you that no women are brought here. I am sorry to say that women were participants, as in most other riots; but our experience is that women are brought up and found guilty they are 'bound over.'"

"Nice Names From Ladies."

Describing the rioting, Superintendent Spendlove said: "As I got into the crowd stones were coming from all directions, and I had great difficulty in getting through, especially past the women."

"Many of the police were struck by stones. I myself was struck with a big stone on the thigh. Two police officers have since been under the doctor, and one is still on the sick list."

Asked if the women or any in the crowd obstructed him, he said, "No, I got some nice names from the ladies."

Mr. Ellis Lloyd (for the defence): Those were probably vigorous compliments.

Superintendent Spendlove: It is a matter of opinion. I took no notice of them.

"Comic Opera Charge."

Mr. Ellis Lloyd: You would not expect women to be in "a riotous crowd?"

Superintendent Spendlove: Yes. Why?—It is an old tactic to put the woman in front. It hampers the police.

Superintendent Spendlove added that the women were in front of men who were throwing stones.

Superintendent Spendlove said that he did not suggest that there was deliberate formation in the crowd. It was always from the outskirts of a crowd that stones came.

P. C. Mullen, in cross-examination, denied Mr. Ellis Lloyd's suggestion that the baton charge was "a sort of comic opera charge."

Asked if he held that it was a custom to put women in front of the crowd, P. C. Mullen said, "I have seen it done at New Tredegar and Abertillery on two or three occasions."

Mr. Ellis Lloyd: Women are usually the most curious part of a crowd; but do you suggest that miners in the Welsh mining districts deliberately put their women in the front rank?—I cannot say that, but I have seen women take a prominent part.

The hearing was adjourned.

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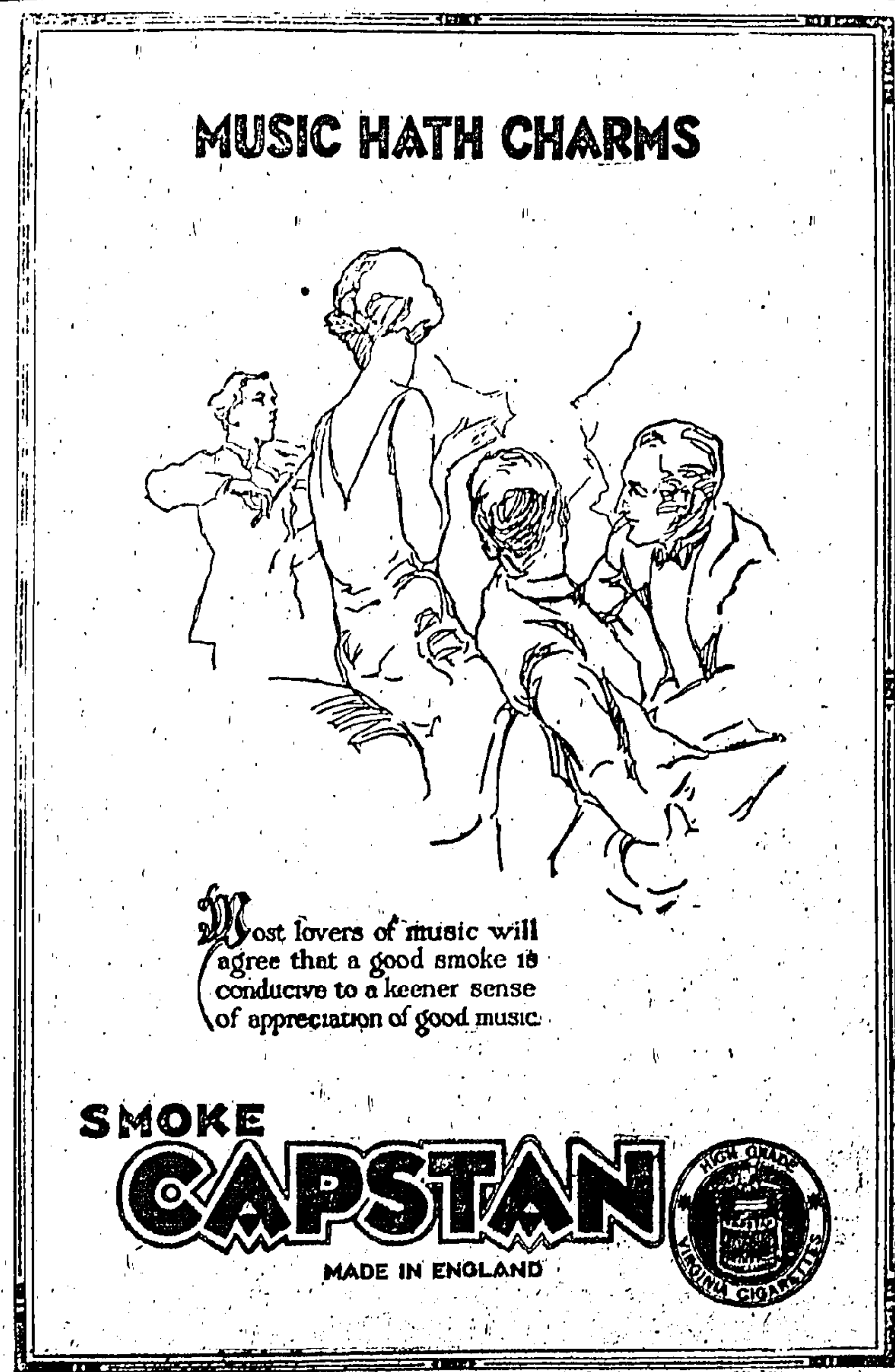
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LAWYER'S RECORD.

SINGULAR ADMISSIONS MADE IN SHANGHAI CASE.

At the Provisional Court, at Shanghai the police prosecutor Mr. R. L. Bryan, before a court composed of Judge Hyui and the Senior Consul's Deputy, Mr. Ramondino, laid bare the record of a Chinese lawyer which he declared to be typical of many carrying on in the Settlement.

The charge was one of extortion and the sum mentioned was \$130. The accused, Vee Vung-ping, was alleged to have attempted to obtain the money from a Chinese Detective Constable under threats of prosecution with loss of "face" and possible loss of position as an aftermath.

In outlining the case, Mr. Bryan said: "Late in December of last year the Yangtze Police Station was informed that two rival gangs of lawless, one Kompo and the other Shantung, were about to fight and Chinese Detective Constable 107 was detailed to warn the leaders they should preserve the peace. He carried out his mission, but as he was a native of Kompo, the leader of the Shantung faction felt he had lost "face" and the result was a summons against the detective for "public insult" and a lawyer, Vee Vung-ping, was handling the matter for the gang leader.

Lawyer's Alleged Demand.

"A few days later C. D. 107 was sent by a police official of the Yangtze Police Station to bring the gang leader, whose name was Ho, to the station for questioning which was carried out. Later that day a report was received at the station that the detective had robbed the man's home of \$40 and a further summons followed.

"Another detective was dispatched on the case and Ho's wife denied to him the presence of others that any money had been stolen. Later the lawyer of the gang leader is alleged to have sent for the detective against whom the summonses were issued and to have informed him that on the payment of the lawyer's fees, \$130, the charges against him would be dropped. It was pointed out that otherwise the detective would lose considerable "face" if the case came to court and most probably his position would also go.

"The next day the detective was again sent for by the lawyer but instead of going himself, the detective sent three friends, who met the lawyer and discussed the matter and shortly after their return, a summons was issued against them as well as the detective, charging the quartette with "public insult, unlawful entry, larceny and assault."

Later the case was tried before Judge Hyui and the Senior Consul's Deputy, Mr. Ramondino, who found the detective and his friends not guilty and released the complainant in \$200 bail pending the filing of a petition by the four accused for "false accusation."

Question of Credentials.

It was this second case which was heard and in going into the lawyer's credentials Mr. Bryan brought out that the accused, though claiming to be a fully accredited lawyer with powers to practice in the Provisional Court, had only signed the rolls of the old Mixed Court and was registered to practice temporarily for six months pending the receipt of certain documents which were never presented to the proper officials. The accused admitted this to be the truth. He admitted he was not a member of the Chinese Bar Association and when questioned if he had asked the detective for the money mentioned in the charge, pointed to the roof and said, "I can swear."

Mr. Bryan asked if it were not true that the accused had no diploma and the accused would not answer. He was asked if it were not true that such a diploma as he might have was issued in the name of a man who is now dead and whose name was the same as that of the accused and again there was no answer.

The accused stated that he was a student of a law college 20 years ago and Mr. Bryan pointed out that the college in question suspended business 20 years ago, to which the accused agreed. He further stated that the diploma was a present to him and Mr. Bryan brought out that the accused had never practiced in any other court and had waited 17 years before registering in the Mixed Court and characterized such procedure as "funny" but was interrupted in further questioning by the lawyers for the accused appealing to the Judge. The hearing was remanded.

DOCTORS AND THE PRESS.

WEEKLY SIGNED ARTICLES AUTHORIZED.

A new departure in the policy of the General Medical Council—which hitherto has discouraged individual doctors from signing articles in the lay Press—is indicated by the formation of the Central Council for Health Education.

This Central Council, which has Professor H. R. Kenwood as its chairman, and various eminent medical men—including Lord Dawson of Penn, Sir Humphry Rolleston, Sir Berkeley Moynihan, Sir E. Farquhar Buzzard, and Sir Thomas Horder—on its consultative committee, has made arrangements, which have been approved by the Ministry of Health and the General Medical Council, to issue, with the support of the Press, a weekly signed article dealing with some subject of public health interest.

Actually, the Central Council was formed a year ago.

The position, however, is, to say the least of it, curious. The Central Council for Health Education has adopted the view that it can, quite apart from well-established precedent, authorize medical men to write articles on medical subjects for the general Press.

In agreement with the Ministry of Health and the General Medical Council, it is accepting the principle that medical men are, under their oaths, free to write. The old adage seems to apply to the situation: *quis custodiet ipsos custodes?*

At the British Medical Association, complete sympathy has been expressed with the widest possible publicity being given to the articles in question.

Dr. Cox, the medical secretary of the Association, stated that the decision in no way affected the general view adopted by the medical profession regarding the writing of articles for the Press.

There was, he said, no objection to a medical practitioner expressing a view on a matter on which he had a right to speak authoritatively, but there was always the danger that his attitude might be misinterpreted and that he would lay himself open to the charge of self-advertisement.

The Initiative.

The initiative for the formation of the Central Council, according to Mr. Elliston, came from the Society of Medical Officers of Health, whose members were struck by the multiplicity of organizations all clamouring to lecture the public on various aspects of health and generally to do the work of the medical officer. The Central Council now hopes to reduce these multifarious activities to manageable proportions, and, by general agreement, to give the stamp of authenticity to public statements on matters of health.

Anything in the nature of "stunts" or fads will be studiously avoided, and it is proposed to issue articles only under the names of senior medical men of recognised standing.

The General Medical Council will play the part of approving on broad lines the names submitted, subject to actual selection by Sir George Newman, Chief Medical Officer of Health.

The interest of the Ministry of Health is further shown by its appointment of an observer, Dr. Kenneth Wright, who will keep in close touch with the activities of the Central Council.

Influenza Hints.

In the first of the series of articles the following advice with regard to influenza is given:

To escape infection we must avoid crowds. Crowded trains, buses, &c., we may not be able to avoid, but we can crowded places of entertainment and other meetings when influenza is about. Well-ventilated rooms, trains, &c., are much less likely to cause us to be infected as the currents of air carry away the germs and also help us to resist infection.

Washing out the nose with weak salt and water or a very weak disinfectant, such as warm water with enough permanganate of potash to colour it pink, is quite useful, and the same solution may be used also as a gargle. It helps to keep the nose and throat healthy, and is most valuable after being in crowded places.

If you do get influenza, you have two duties: One to yourself, one to others. To yourself, to take it "lying down." Bed is the best place and essential if there is any fever. Also get medical advice if the attack is at all a severe one.

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BANVARD ACTRESS.

JUDGE'S COMMENT ON THEATRICAL CONTRACT.

In the Calcutta High Court recently Miss Molly Maguire, a theatrical artist, brought a suit for wrongful dismissal against Mr. W.R. Banvard, of the Banvard Musical Comedy Company. Mr. H.E. Smith, business manager for the company, was examined de bene esse.

Mr. R. C. Bonnerjee, for the defendant said that plaintiff entered into a contract with defendant on Sept. 8, 1928, in England. There was a provision in the contract that plaintiff's services could be dispensed with on a fortnight's notice.

The party, including plaintiff, came to Bombay and gave a performance. On Nov. 6, 1928, the managers of the company gave plaintiff notice terminating the contract. She was, however, allowed to stay on as some one interceded on her behalf. She came to Calcutta where she received a verbal notice asking her to leave by a steamer on Dec. 19.

His Lordship referred to the contract and said that it seemed to him to be an extraordinary one. The artist had to provide for dresses valued at £100 and the management could give her notice the next moment.

Mr. J. C. Hazra, for plaintiff: How are artists engaged in London?—They are seen in the rehearsal room but it is difficult to snap an artist from rehearsals. When they appear on the public stage they may be very different.

Dressing Well.

Mr. Justice Costello: Mr. Lew Marks (defendant's agent in London) must have been satisfied that the plaintiff was reasonably competent for the company. You make the contract for a period of eight months and then can give two weeks' notice?—I think that the contract was approved in England by the Actors' Guild for India

but I can't say for certain, though I have an idea that Mr. Marks must have referred the contract to the Actors' Guild.

His Lordship: Can you tell me why a fortnight's notice was provided for?—It would be necessary in case of insobriety or misconduct or if the artists were not up to the standard for which they were engaged.

Mr. Justice Costello: According to you they are brought out on trial and their employment determined if they are not found suitable. The party spends money and comes out and directly she is in Bombay you can give a fortnight's notice. Is that reasonable?—The dresses are not necessarily stage dresses. The management like to see the artists well dressed in the street as well as on the stage.

Continuing, witness said that Miss Maguire did not appear on the stage on Dec. 17. There was some consternation and then a discussion after which someone else took her part.

Did you see Miss Maguire before?—Yes.

What is your opinion of her?—She is an inexperienced and weak artist.

His Lordship: The management may give her different parts?—The artists are not selected for any particular part but must accept any part given to them.

What provision is made for an artist's medical expenses?—We have a doctor in every town. We pay the hospital fees if the accident is not of their own seeking.

His Lordship: What do you mean?—Whoever does seek an accident?—There have been cases where girls have gone out swimming, much against the wishes of the management. In one case a girl was thus incapacitated for ten days. Even then we paid for the bills.

The Right To Dismiss.

At this stage His Lordship referred to the contract and said that there was a provision to the effect that unless the artist was found unsuitable in England and dismissed there the management

HOTEL VICTIM.

FUNERAL OF GENERAL CHAN MING-SHU'S SECRETARY.

Pakhoi, Mar. 30.

The remains of the late Mr. Chung Hui-san, Secretary to General Chan Ming-shu, who was killed in the King Edward Hotel fire at Hongkong, arrived here on March 28. The coffin was conveyed to Pakhoi from Hongkong by steamer.

Yesterday, the leading officials, merchants and representatives of various local organisations participated in an impressive procession as a mark of respect to the deceased, who, previous to his appointment as Secretary to General Chan, held the office of Magistrate of this, the Hoppo district.

Immediately on arrival, the coffin was placed outside the Lung Wong Temple, but yesterday it was removed to a more appropriate building near the ex-German Consulate for interment. As the mournful procession slowly wended its way through the streets, crackers were fired. Among the many objects of interest seen was a large portrait of the deceased. A military brass band was also included in the procession. Mr. Chung was a native of Namhong, a town not far from here.

March 29 also happened to be Good Friday and the anniversary commemoration of the Yellow Flower Hill's Seventy-Two Heroes. It is strange that these various mournful events should coincide.

would lose its right to dismiss her later on the ground of unsuitability.

His Lordship said that looking superficially into the contract it seemed that once the management had failed to dismiss an artist in England for unsuitability they would be precluded from taking advantage of the fortnight's notice

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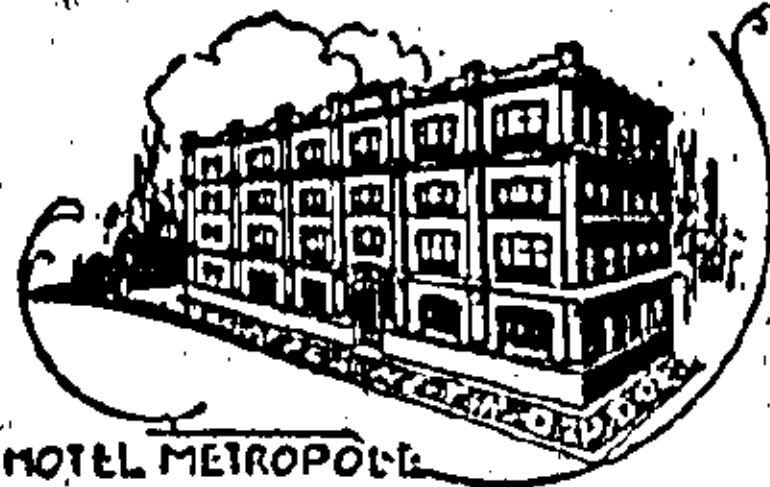
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a blaze at windows too high for
the firemen to smash proved the
turning point in an outbreak
which early this morning gutted
a wing of Glenosie Distillery,
near Elgin.

Only a skeleton night staff of
three men were at work in the
tun room at the time. The electric
light suddenly failed, and James
Kerr, a still man, groping his way
out to investigate, discovered that
the dynamo room was ablaze.
He got a hose and played on the
flames while his two companions
ran to the neighbouring hamlet of
Thomhill to rouse the distillery
staff. Messages were also sent to
adjacent farms for help.

Flames 100ft. High.
The flames reached a height of
100ft., and spread to the draft

drying room and the mash tun
room, the roof of which collapsed.
The fire spread to the malt
towers, which communicate with
the drying drafts and burna, and
a long range of buildings contain-
ing 15,000 to 20,000 quarts of
barley was threatened.
The malt house, which contain-
ed 1,000 bushels of malt, speedily
became a furnace, and it was
found impossible so long as the
top of the towers remained intact
to get water inside.
As a last resort, Mr. James Mar-
shall, the manager, secured a shot
gun, and after firing several shots
shattered the windows, through
which the firemen were able to
reach the blazing malt.
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engine, which pumped water from
a nearby stream, the spread of
the flames was definitely checked.
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THE LEUNG KWONG DISASTER.

CHARGE AGAINST "ANJOU'S" PILOT WITHDRAWN.

EVIDENCE DIFFICULTY

There was a sudden and un-
expected development in the Leung
Kwong manslaughter case at the
Kowloon Magistracy this morning
when Mr. L. R. Andrews, Assis-
tant Crown Solicitor, applied to
Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith for the
withdrawal of the charge against
Lo Tai, pilot of the s.s. Anjou,
who was alleged to have been in
command of the ill-fated Leung
Kwong which came into collision
with the Moonshine in Capsulman
Pass in 1927 when several lives
were lost, including that of Mr.
F. E. A. Martin.

On Saturday last the case came
up after a remand and Sub-
Inspector Andrew asked for dates
to be fixed for the hearing. His
Worship accordingly remanded the
defendant for one week and in-
timated that the case would be
started on Friday, 19th inst., and
continued on Tuesday, 23rd and
Wednesday, 24th.

This morning Mr. L. R. An-
drews personally appeared before
his Worship and said that he was
applying for the withdrawal of
the charge against Lo Tai. The
Coroner's Enquiry into the tragic
occurrence was held in May, 1927,
but since then some of the prose-
cution's material witnesses had
died or could not be found.

Continuing, Mr. Andrews said
the Attorney General had in-
structed him to say that the present
available evidence was insufficient
to proceed upon the charge and
he (Mr. Andrews) therefore asked
his Worship to allow him to
withdraw the charge.

His Worship:—So we won't re-
quire these four afternoons?

Sub-Inspector Andrew:—No,
your Worship.

His Worship accordingly order-
ed the defendant's discharge.

EUROPEAN'S CHICKENS STOLEN.

CONVICTION IN KOWLOON TONG CASE.

Mr. P. M. Pinquet appeared
before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith,
at the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning, to prosecute two Chinese
who were charged with the theft
of five chickens from the com-
plainant's residence at No. 328,
Kowloon Tong.

Both defendants pleaded guilty.
Inspector Stimson informed his
Worship that a Chinese detective
had received information that
certain men were selling stolen
chickens. The officer found the
two defendants attempting to
dispose of several fowls to a
woman hawk and arrested them
both. On one of the two men
the police found a pair of pliers
which were presumably used for
removing the wire from chicken
houses.

Mr. Pinquet, in reply to his
Worship, said that the wire in
the present case was not damaged.
The chickens had been taken
through the door, which was not
locked.

The first defendant, who had
one previous conviction for
larceny, was sentenced to two
months' hard labour, the second
being fined \$10 or 14 days' hard
labour in default.

THE KING AGAIN OUT OF DOORS.

SPENDS WHOLE MORNING IN GROUNDS.

London, Apr. 8.
H.M. the King passed another
good day. The weather remained
fine and sunny at Bognor, and His
Majesty spent the whole morning
in the grounds of Craigwell
House.

For over two hours, he sat on
the lawn enjoying the warm sun-
shine and then took his usual
walk through the grounds before
going in for lunch.—British Wire-
less.

GERMAN BUDGET REDUCTIONS.

SAVINGS ON THE ARMY AND NAVY.

Berlin, Apr. 8.
The Cabinet has sanctioned re-
ductions in the 1929 Budget
amounting to Mks. 179,000,000,
thus bringing the deficit to
Mks. 201,000,000.
The reductions include a saving
of Mks. 27,000,000 on the Ministry
of Defence, namely, Mks. 7,500,000
on the Army and Mks. 19,500,000
on the Navy.—Reuter.

DISTINCTIONS IN FIRM NAMES.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Witness agreed that the whole
object of the affidavit was to prove
that the two firms were distinct
in every respect.

Solicitors' Negligence.

Mr. Jenkins:—Why, then, did
you not refer to the most impor-
tant factor, that they had entirely
different names?—At first I was
only questioned as to the Ma Pak
Leung firm. There was no ques-
tion of names, either with regard
to the Yut Tung or the Kwai Nin
Tong.

The answer is the usual one, I
take it. You were not asked by
your solicitors and you did not
tell them?—That is right.

Did you, whether they asked
you or not, appreciate the neces-
sity of establishing, by any evi-
dence which was available, the in-
dependence of these two firms?—
It was neglect on my part and
neglect on the part of my solici-
tors.

Replying to his Lordship, wit-
ness said that he now appreciated
the point.

Mr. Jenkins then showed witness
a letter which witness had signed
and which stated that he would
be personally responsible for the
debts of the firm so long as he
held office.

Witness explained that that
letter was written when he was
the General Manager of the Kwai
Nin Tong firm, and his obligation
related only to that firm.

Not Necessary.

After remarking that it would
be of prime importance that wit-
ness should make it clear for what
debts he was going to be respon-
sible, Mr. Jenkins asked:—"So far
as the Kwai Nin Tong creditors
were concerned, it was not neces-
sary to set out the distinction?"

Witness:—It is understood by
everybody.

Asked why he did not describe
himself in full, when he signed the
letter, as Chief Manager of the
Kwai Nin Tong, witness said that
the letter was written by a clerk
and he (witness) only signed it.

And you did not notice that you
had not been described in full as
the Chief Manager of the Kwai
Nin Tong?—It is understood by
all creditors that it must refer to
the Kwai Nin Tong office debts.

The promissory note on which
the action is based was then hand-
ed to witness, who said it was a
Kwai Nin Tong Ma Pak Leung
note.

Chinese Stamp.

Mr. Jenkins:—Why is it not
chopped with the Kwai Nin Tong
Ma Pak Leung chop?—When pro-
missory notes are issued, and
stamped in Canton and Patsan,
it is understood that it is the Kwai
Nin Tong Ma Pak Leung.

So far as we have gone, the
full name of the firm is never
stated, it being left entirely to
inference as to whether or not it
is the Patsan firm?—By the look
of this promissory note, it is well
known to everybody that it must
be the Kwai Nin Tong. If it was
Hongkong, it would not have these
Chinese stamps on it.

Witness stated that he first saw
the note in the office of Messrs.
Hastings, Dennys and Bowley,
the day after the King Edward
Hotel fire.

The case is proceeding.

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY.

TO BE ABSORBED BY CHASE NATIONAL BANK.

New York, Apr. 8.
The Directors of the Chase
National Bank announce plans to
absorb the American Express
Company, with its extensive
foreign banking organization.

Since the sale of its interest in
the American Railway Express
Company to the Adams Express
Company last week for a sum
understood to be eighteen million
dollars, the American Express
Company only retains its foreign
banking and travel service.

The proposed amalgamation
will have capital and surplus re-
sources exceeding \$218,000,000.—
Reuter.

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES.

BIG INCREASE IN CAPITAL PROPOSED.

London, Apr. 8.
The Imperial Chemical Indus-
tries, Ltd., has notified share-
holders of its proposal to increase
its capital by £20,000,000 to
£95,000,000.

A part of the increase is need-
ed to complete the present con-
structional programme, and the
remainder will be placed to
reserve to meet future contingen-
cies.—Reuter.

PLAYFUL HABITS OF TRAFFICMEN.

HONGKONG HOTEL BUS DRIVER CAUTIONED.

FROM GREEN TO RED.

The driver of a Hongkong Hotel
bus, No. 611, was summoned before
Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central
Police Court this morning, for dis-
obeying the directions of the traffic
pointsman at the Arsenal Street
junction, the time of the alleged
offence being 11.20 a.m. on the 12th
of last month.

Evidence was given by the Indian
policeman at whose instance the
summons was taken, to the effect
that the bus had come to a stop at
the stopping place at this point,
and he signalled to it to remain
where it was in order to permit a
private car to enter the junction
from the other end of Arsenal
Street. The signal being disre-
garded, witness said he was com-
pelled to leave his post and to give
the signal by hand.

The bus-driver said that in the
first instance, he was given the
green light to proceed on his way,
but, soon after restarting, the green
light was suddenly changed into a
red one, when seeing the change he
immediately stopped.

While administering a caution to
the defendant, his Worship observed
to the police officer in charge of the
case:—"I have seen them do that
often—switching the light over just
as a fellow is getting under way."

An Indian public car driver was
summoned for loitering in Chater
Road. Recalling the incident, his
Worship said to the Interpreter:
"Ask him if he still remembers al-
most knocking me over."

Defendant acknowledged his
guilt with a sheepish smile.

In view of his clear record, his
Worship cautioned defendant to be
more careful in the future.

MR. VAN LEAR BLACK'S FLIGHT.

SHORTLY LEAVING FOR THE EAST.

London, Apr. 8.
Mr. Van Lear Black, the Ameri-
can millionaire "flying tourist,"
has arrived at Croydon on the
completion of his flight from
London to Capetown and back.

He is shortly to commence a
trip from Croydon to Tokyo and
back. He is expected to leave for
Tokyo somewhere about the 17th
or 18th, and he will fly via
Kamachi, Rangoon and Shanghai,
returning to Europe, via Vlad-
ivostok and Moscow.

Permission to fly over Soviet
territory was only obtained yester-
day after prolonged negotiation
due to the international character
of the flight personnel.

On the return journey, the great
Fokker machine in which Mr. Van
Lear Black is making the trip will
follow the Trans-Siberian Railway
from Vladivostok. Arrange-
ments have been made for stops at
Harbin, Chita, Barabinsk, Omsk,
Moscow and Berlin.—Reuter.

MOTOR CAR TOUT.

SAID HE WAS DOCKYARD EMPLOYEE.

Touting for motor cars at West
Point resulted in the arrest of a
Chinese youth on Sunday. Yester-
day he was charged at the
Police Court, but, on stating that
he was employed at the Dockyard,
a remand was order that his state-
ment might be verified.

When brought up again this
morning it was stated that the
Dockyard had failed to identify
him.

Prisoner thereupon stated that
they were afraid to because they
perhaps thought he was implicat-
ed in a serious offence.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton fined him
\$25, with the alternative of one
month's imprisonment.

THE REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

DELEGATES DISCUSS SUM DUE FROM GERMANY.

London, Apr. 8.
The British, French, Belgian
and Italian delegates to the
Reparations discussions in Paris
were discussing among themselves
this afternoon the percentages of
claims of other respective
countries against Germany.—
British Wireless.

SIR AUSTEN RETURNS.

London, Apr. 8.
Sir Austen Chamberlain arrived
in London to-day, returning from
his visit to the Continent. He
said he had certainly benefited
from the holiday.—British Wire-
less.

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